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PREFACE

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) has been prepared in support of an application submitted by Natural Power Consultants Limited (Natural Power) on behalf of the Applicant (RWE Renewables UK Development Limited). The application seeks consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 and the EIAR has been prepared in accordance with the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017. The application also seeks a direction under Section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 as amended that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted. This EIAR contains the information carried out for the Environmental Impact Assessment to develop a wind farm comprising of up to seventeen wind turbines and associated infrastructure (the Proposed Development). The Proposed Development is located in both South Lanarkshire and Dumfries & Galloway local authority areas.

The Electricity Works (Miscellaneous Temporary Modifications) (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (“the Temporary Regs”) came into effect on 24 April 2020. These Regulations are temporary and were due to expire on 30 September 2020. However, due to the ongoing COVID19 pandemic the Coronavirus (Scotland) Acts (Amendment of Expiry Dates) Regulations 2020 were enacted to extend temporary arrangements until 31 March 2021.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions hard copies will not be available at this time however electronic copies of the EIAR can be found on the Energy Consents Unit’s website at www.energyconsents.scot and the Applicant’s: www.rwe.com/daer

Copies of the EIAR may also be obtained from RWE Renewables UK Developments Ltd (telephone: 0191 376 0893 / email: nicholas.taylor@rwe.com) at a charge of £500 per hard copy and free on DVD/CD. Copies of a short Non-Technical Summary are available free of charge.

- **This is Volume 1 of the EIAR** which presents the 15 Chapters of the EIAR.
- Volume 2a of the EIAR presents the technical Figures associated with the EIAR Chapters except for Chapter 5 (Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment)
- Volume 2b of the EIAR presents the technical Figures associated with EIAR Chapter 5.
- Volume 2c of the EIAR presents the Visualisations produced for EIAR Chapters 5 and 10 (Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment and Cultural Heritage).
- Volume 3 presents the Technical Appendices associated with the EIAR Chapters.
- Volume 4 of the EIAR presents the Non-Technical Summary.

In addition to the EIAR, the application is also supplemented by accompanying documents including:

- Planning, Design & Access Statement,
- Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Report.

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