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**DATE**  
 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
**SUBJECT**  
 Inveroykel Wind Farm  
**REFERENCE**  
 ECU00005210

Dear Simon Watt

**APPLICATION FOR CONSENT UNDER SECTION 36 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989  
 AND DIRECTION FOR DEEMED PLANNING PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 57 OF THE  
 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 TO CONSTRUCT AND  
 OPERATE INVEROYKEL WIND FARM INCLUDING BATTERY STORAGE AND  
 ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (ECU00005210)**

RWE Renewables UK Onshore Wind Ltd (company registration number 03758407, with its Registered Office at Windmill Hill Business Park, Whitehill Way, Swindon, Wiltshire SN5 6PB) ('the Applicant') is pleased to submit an application for consent to the Scottish Ministers under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 together with a direction that planning permission is deemed to be granted under section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (the 'Section 36 Application') to construct, operate and decommission Inveroykel Wind Farm ('the Proposed Development').

The Proposed Development will comprise up to 20 wind turbines with a blade tip height up to 230 meters (m) (of which 2 will be 200 m), a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and associated infrastructure for an operational period of up to 40 years. The Proposed Development is located at British National Grid (BNG) Reference NH 499 960 on land owned by Forestry and Land Scotland (FLS), approximately 1.7 km west of Bonar Bridge, and 8.7 km south of Lairg, in the Scottish Highlands (the Site), and would have a capacity of up to 262 MegaWatts (MW). The Site footprint is approximately 4045 hectares (ha). The Site lies wholly within the administrative area of The Highland Council ('the Council'). A map (Figure 1.1) showing the land to which the Section 36 Application relates is provided at the end of this letter.

### **Application Documents**

This Section 36 Application is accompanied by the following documents:

- Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR):
  - Volume 1 – EIAR Non-Technical Summary;
  - Volume 2 – EIAR Main Report;
  - Volume 3a – EIAR Figures (excluding Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment);
  - Volume 3b – EIAR Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Figures;

- Volume 3c – EIAR Visualisations; and
- Volume 4 – EIAR Technical Appendices.
- Planning Statement;
- Design and Access Statement;
- Pre-Application Consultation Report;
- Socio Economic Statement;
- Outline Battery Safety Management Plan; and
- Planning Drawings (Included within EIAR Volume 3a):
  - Figure 1.1: Site Location Plan;
  - Figure 2.1: Site Layout Plan;
  - Figure 2.2: Indicative Turbine Elevation (a+b);
  - Figure 2.3: Indicative Foundation Design;
  - Figure 2.4: Indicative Crane Hardstanding;
  - Figure 2.5: Indicative Cable Trench Detail;
  - Figure 2.6: Indicative Temporary Construction Compound (TCC);
  - Figure 2.7: Indicative Substation Compound Layout;
  - Figure 2.8: Indicative BESS Compound Layout;
  - Figure 2.9: Indicative Operations and Control Building Elevations;
  - Figure 2.10: Indicative BESS Elevations;
  - Figure 2.11: Indicative Access Track;
  - Figure 2.12: Indicative Culvert Detail;
  - Figure 2.13: Indicative Power Performance Mast; and
  - Figure 2.14: Indicative Borrow Pit Layout.

Digital copies of the EIAR and supporting documentation are available for public inspection, free of charge, in the following locations:

- Energy Consents Unit (ECU) Portal: Scottish Government - Energy Consents Unit; and
- Inveroykel Project website at [www.rwe.com/inveroykel](http://www.rwe.com/inveroykel)

A copy of the Section 36 Application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the EIAR discussing the Applicant's proposals in more detail and presenting an analysis of the environmental implications, are available for public inspection in person, free of charge, during normal office hours at:

Location	Opening hours	Address
The Lairg Library	10am-2pm Mon and Thurs 12-3.30pm, 4-7pm Tues	The Main Street, Lairg, IV27 4DD

	10am-3pm Fri  Closed Wed, Sat and Sun	
Invercassley Tea Rooms;	Closed Sun and Mon  12-6pm Tues, Wed and Thurs  12-8pm Fri and Sat	Rosehall, Lairg, IV27 4BD;
The Hub	9am-7pm Mon, Tues, Wed and Thurs  9am-4pm Fri and Sat  10am-3pm Sun	(Bonar Bridge); IV24 3AQ.

Hard copies of the Non-Technical Summary (NTS) can be provided for £10 per copy upon request, and the full EIAR can be provided for £1,000 per hard copy. To request a copy of the Section 36 Application, please contact RWE at [Inveroykel@rwe.com](mailto:Inveroykel@rwe.com).

The Applicant has arranged for the public notice to be advertised providing notification of the submission of an application for consent in accordance with the requirements of the Electricity (Applications for Consent) Regulations 1990 and the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017.

Copies of the notices will be provided to the ECU and posted on the Applicant's website [www.rwe.com/inveroykel](http://www.rwe.com/inveroykel).

The adverts will be placed in the following papers:

- A week in the Scotsman;
- A week in the Edinburgh Gazette; and
- Two weeks each in The Northern Times and the Ross Shire Journal.

The closure of consultation for the Section 36 Application will be noted in the advert (7<sup>th</sup> April 2026).

I trust the information that we have provided is sufficient to enable you to commence consideration of the Section 36 Application. I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt and validation of the Section 36 Application by email.

Please do not hesitate to get in contact if you have any queries or require any further information.

Yours faithfully,

Janet Burns

Technical Consulting Director