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Dear Lee

Skye Reinforcement Project Additional Information Submission

The following additional information is submitted for the above application.

Derogation Case

A Derogation Case is submitted in relation to Section 3 (Broadford to Kyle Rhea) of the Skye Reinforcement Project. The details of the compensatory measures are to be the subject of a separate document to follow in due course. However, to assist the Scottish Ministers, the Derogation Case provides an outline of possible compensatory measures that can be taken forward in a compensation plan.

Peat Probing

As detailed in SEPA's consultation response dated 10th January, we enclose the results of the peat probing investigation undertaken between 23rd and 30th of January 2023. This was carried out within Section 4 and 5 of the Proposed Development, within the locations and frequency as agreed with SEPA.

The results of the peat probing exercise are detailed in the Peat Depth and Occurrence: Sections 4 and 5 report.

This shows peat depths of more than 1m were present at 7 tower locations within Sections 4 and 5 of the project. Possible micro-siting opportunities within the limit of deviation are detailed within the report, where it presents opportunities to avoid areas of deeper peat, during the construction phase.

EIA Volume 2, Chapter 9 - Forestry Clarification

We identified some inaccuracies in the figures within the forestry chapter of the EIA (Volume 2, Chapter 9) and associated appendices. The "Additional Information Forestry Clarifications"

document provides the correct figures and should be read alongside Volume 2, Chapter 9 of the EIA Report.

Visualisations

The following additional visualisations are submitted to take account of comments received from the Kylerhea Community Forum dated 7th November 2022. The visualisations have been produced in line with Nature Scot standards as well as The Highland Council standards:

Nature Scot Visualisations:

- Figure AI A-3.4a-d - VL3-4 Bealach Udal (Alternative Viewing Angle)
- Figure AI A-3.6a-d - VL3-6 Kylerhea Village (Alternative Viewing Angle)

THC Visualisations:

- Figure AI B-3.4a-d - VL3-4 Bealach Udal (Alternative Viewing Angle)
- Figure AI B-3.6a-d - VL3-6 Kylerhea Village (Alternative Viewing Angle)

Yours sincerely

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