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Dear Sir/Madam

## ECU ref: ECU00005074

To install and keep installed approximately 110 m of 400kV double circuit overhead line (OHL) tie-in to the proposed Cambushinnie 400kV Substation, supported on a steel lattice tower including ancillary works, including a temporary diversion of approximate length of 980 m of the existing Beauly to Denny OHL supported on two temporary steel lattice towers near Braco Village, in Perth and Kinross.

## Section 37 of The Electricity Act 1989

Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc is pleased to submit this application for the construction and operation of the proposed Cambushinnie substation 400 kV tie-in including ancillary works. The ancillary works would include the installation of a temporary diversion of approximate length of 980 m of the existing Beauly to Denny OHL, supported on two temporary steel lattice towers, temporary and permanent access tracks, temporary working areas, vegetation clearance and upgrades to existing access tracks and existing access points.

The Proposed Development is required to connect the proposed Cambushinnie 400kV substation (NN 79048 09037) to the national grid via a 400 kV transmission tie in connection point located at NN 78995 09103 on the existing Beauly – Denny 400 kV OHL. The Proposed Development would consist of a double 400 kV circuit overhead line of approximately 110 m in length and include ancillary works as listed above. The proposed overhead line would be supported by steel lattice tower structures. Further details are included in the supporting Environmental Appraisal.

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This application seeks consent for a horizontal limit of deviation (LoD) of 50 metres i.e. 50 m either side of the alignment, and the same LoD for the proposed access track. A 6 m vertical LoD is sought for the proposed support structures.

The proposal has been developed with careful consideration of the potential environmental effects and it is our view that with mitigation in place, it would not result in unacceptable effects on the environment.

The Proposed Development was subject of a request for an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Opinion under regulation 8(1) of the Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017. The subsequent opinion (ECU reference ECU00005074) was received on 29 April 2024 confirming that the Proposed Development does not qualify as an EIA development and an EIA is not required. Therefore, a voluntary Environmental Appraisal (EA) has been produced and submitted to support the application.

The application has been submitted along with the supporting documents as set out in Annex 1 of this letter.

The application fee of £720.00 has been paid via BACS transfer with reference number **ECU00005074**. The Fee has been calculated using the ECU fee calculator based on non-EIA development and a total OHL length (including permanent and temporary) of 1.1 km. This includes the length of the proposed temporary OHL.

We look forward to receiving formal confirmation of receipt of this application. In the meantime, should you have any queries or require further information, please contact me on the details above.

Yours faithfully

**Keith Smith** 

## Senior Consents and Environment Manager

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## **ANNEX 1 – Section 37 Submission Documents**

- Figure 1 Site Location Plan.
- Figure 2 Temporary OHL Proposed Site Plan.
- Figure 3 Final OHL Proposed Site Plan.
- Environmental Appraisal (EA).
- HRA Memorandum.
- Planning Statement.
- Typical Design Drawings:
  - Typical DJ Tower Key Diagram
  - Typical D25 Tower Key Diagram
  - Indicative Stone Access Track Construction Detail
  - Indicative Crane Pad and Access Track Construction Detail