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Our Reference: **LT520 Cambushinnie 400kV Substation**

E-planning Reference Number: **100706663**

Dear Sir / Madam

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED) PROPOSAL: SUBSTATION COMPRISING; NEW BUILDINGS, PLATFORM, PLANT AND MACHINERY, ACCESS, LAYDOWN/ WORK COMPOUND AREA(S), DRAINAGE, LANDSCAPING, AND OTHER ANCILLARY WORKS (NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT)

LOCATION: LAND ADJACENT TO THE EXISTING BRACO WEST SUBSTATION, BRACO.

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks Transmission (SSEN Transmission), operating under licence held by Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc, owns, operates, and develops the high voltage electricity transmission system in the north of Scotland and remote islands. SSEN Transmission, hereby submits a planning application for the proposed construction of a new Substation located approximately 3.5 west of Braco Village.

The Proposed Development would consist of:

- Temporary construction compound (including a temporary borehole for welfare during construction) and laydown area;
- Substation platform of approximately 410 m x 220 m with associated earthworks;
- Two 400/132kV transformers, a new 400kV double busbar and ancillary equipment;
- A new control building (approximately 24 m x 49 m) with a maximum height of 7 m above the finished surface level;
- Existing access track upgrades between the B8033 and existing Braco West Substation
- Construction of new access track from the existing Braco West Substation to the proposed

- Cambushinnie substation platform;
- Upgrades to the existing Cambushinnie Hill track;
- Construction of new access track from the northwestern edge of the proposed Cambushinnie substation platform to the SUDS basin;
- Permanent drainage systems;
- One permanent borehole for site water supply;
- Landscaping and biodiversity enhancements; and
- Palisade perimeter fence of maximum height of 4m above the finished surface level.

Prior SSEN Transmission consultation for this project was carried out in October 2023 where pre-application advice for major developments was sought (Reference 23/00023/PREAPM).

A Proposal of Application Notice was submitted to Perth and Kinross Council on the 9 February 2024 (Reference 24/00001/PAN). An Environmental Appraisal (EA) has been produced and submitted to support the planning application. Additionally, an EIA Screening Opinion was issued by Perth and Kinross Council in February 2024 (Reference 23/02147/SCRN).

The planning application is supported with:

- Environmental Appraisal
- HRA Memorandum
- Planning Statement
- Design and Access Statement
- PAC Report and Appendices
- Supporting Drawings
- Lighting Mitigation Strategy
- Flood Risk Assessment
- Drainage Impact Assessment

The fee to be paid is £172,920.00 as agreed via e-mail between Gillian Peebles (PKC) and Keith Smith (SSEN Transmission) on 21 March 2025, which is to be paid via BACS with the E-Planning reference number 100706663. The required advert fee totalling £64.00 has also been combined and will be paid within the same transaction.

Once the application has been received and validated, we would be happy to set up a planning processing agreement.

I look forward to receiving formal confirmation of receipt of this application. In the meantime, should you have any queries or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the details above.

Kind regards

Keith Smith

Senior Consents and Environment Manager

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN Transmission)