

**SCOTTISH HYDRO ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION PLC**

**ELECTRICITY ACT 1989**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

**THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND)  
REGULATIONS 2017**

Notice is hereby given that Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission Plc, “the Company”, (registered in Scotland under company registration number SC213461 at Inveralmond House 200 Dunkeld Road, Perth, PH1 3AQ) has submitted additional information to the Scottish Ministers in relation to the application for consent under Section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989, to install, operate and keep installed approximately 105.2 kilometre (km) 400 kV Overhead Line (OHL), supported on steel lattice tower structures including downleads, between a proposed new substation named Emmock (NO 38862 37812) near to Tealing in Angus and an existing substation at Kintore (NJ 77013 14310) via a second proposed new substation named Hurlie (NO 79597 86586), which is to be located within Fetteresso Forest west of Stonehaven in Aberdeenshire. The Proposed Development also includes downleads to the substations, crossing works, permanent realignment works, reconductoring works to existing 132 kV and 275 kV OHLs, of approximately 13.84km in total, to enable the construction of the Proposed Development including the temporary diversion works required to construct the permanent realignments. The Proposed Development also includes the removal of redundant sections of existing 132 kV and 275 kV OHLs. In total, the Proposed Development would comprise approximately 119.04km of new OHL infrastructure. The Proposed Development is known as the Kintore to Tealing 400 kV OHL Connection.

Given the length of the Proposed Alignment for the new 400 kV OHL connection, and to describe more easily the baseline environmental factors, the OHL has been split into six defined geographical ‘Sections’. The Sections are Section A: Emmock 400 kV substation to Forfar, Section B: Forfar to Brechin, Section C: Brechin to Laurencekirk, Section D: Laurencekirk to Hurlie 400 kV substation, Section E: Hurlie 400 kV substation to River Dee and Section F: north of the River Dee to Kintore Substation.

The Proposed Development has been subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), and an EIA Report and Habitats Regulations Appraisal have been produced to accompany the application for consent.

The Company has also requested a direction under section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the development be deemed to be granted.

**The Company has now submitted additional information to Scottish Ministers, which includes information relating to Private Water Supplies in Volume 2 Chapter 13: Hydrology, Hydrogeology, Geology and Soils; Volume 2 Chapter 17: Schedule of Mitigation; Volume 3 Chapter 13 Figure 13.3.1 to 13.3.15 Groundwater Abstractions, Water Supplies and GWDTE; and Volume 5 Appendix 13.2: Private Water Supply and Groundwater Abstractions Assessment.**

**The Company has also submitted voluntary updates to the original 2025 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report including Volume 1 Chapter 3: Project Description (change to proposed Limit of Deviation for Cable Sealing End compound); Volume 2 Chapter 10: Cultural Heritage, Volume 3 Figure 10.43 - Viewpoint CH41 - New Wester Echt Stone Circle and Volume 5 Appendix 10.10 Detailed Assessment of Designated Heritage Assets in the Outer Study Area (additional photomontage and accompanying assessment); Volume 2 Chapter 11: Ecology, Volume 3 Chapter 11 Figures 11.3.1 - 11.3.38 Habitat Survey Results, Figures 11.4.1 - 11.4.23**

**National Vegetation Classification Survey Results, Figures 11.5.1 - 11.5.12 Areas of Guidance- Stated Potential Groundwater Dependency and Volume 5 Appendix 11.2: Habitat and Vegetation Survey Report (further habitat survey information); and Volume 5 Appendix 13.1: Watercourse Crossing and Buffer Assessment (additional detail on some watercourse crossings).**

**The Company has also submitted voluntary clarifications to the original 2025 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report including Volume 1 Chapter 2: Established Need for the Proposed Development (correction of dates and figure title); Volume 2 Chapter 13: Hydrology, Hydrogeology, Geology and Soils (clarification regarding the approach to peat survey); Volume 4 Chapter 9 - Figure 9.32 - Viewpoint 28 - Nether Wyndings and Chapter 10 Figure 10.26 - Viewpoint CH24 - Raedykes, Roman Camp (correction of Hurlie substation design), Figure 10.38 - Viewpoint CH36 - New Wester Echt Stone Circle (correction to vegetation in photomontage) and Figure 10.42 - Viewpoint CH40 - South Leylodge Steading, Stone Circle (correction to baseline photomontage); and Volume 5 Appendix 10.6: Inner Study Area - Predicted Effects (corrections in text to match Chapter 10 and 17).**

Copies of the additional information, updates and clarifications, together with a covering letter and erratum, are available for public inspection in person, free of charge, during normal office hours at:

<b>Location</b>	<b>Opening Hours</b>	<b>Address</b>
Angus Council, Angus House	Monday to Friday: 9am - 5pm	Orchardbank Business Park, Orchardbank, Forfar, Angus, DD8 1AN
Culter Library	Monday: 1pm - 7pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm Saturday: 10am - 1pm	189 North Deeside Road Peterculter Aberdeen AB14 0UJ
Fintry Library	Monday: 9am - 1pm & 2pm - 7pm Tuesday: 9am - 1pm & 2pm - 5.30pm Wednesday: 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5.30pm Thursday: 9am - 1pm Friday: 9am - 1pm & 2.00 - 5.30pm	1 Findcastle Street Dundee DD4 9EW
Inverurie Library	Tuesday: 8.45am - 5.15pm Wednesday: 8.45am - 5.15pm Thursday: 8.30am - 5.30pm Saturday: 10am - 2pm	Inverurie Town Hall Market Place Inverurie AB51 3SN
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Mearns Community Library	Monday: 2pm - 6pm Wednesday: 10am - 3pm Thursday: 2pm - 6pm Saturday: 10am - 12 noon	Mearns Community Campus Aberdeen Road Laurencekirk AB30 1ZJ
Stonehaven Library	Tuesday: 9am - 6pm Wednesday: 9am - 5pm Friday: 9am - 5pm Saturday: 10am - 2pm	Evan Street Stonehaven AB39 2ET
Westhill Library	Tuesday: 10am - 7pm Wednesday: 10am - 7pm Thursday: 10 am - 6pm Saturday: 9am - 1pm	Westhill Primary School Westhill Drive Westhill AB32 6FY

A copy of the application, including plans showing the lands to which it relates and the EIA Report, together with the additional information (and updates and clarifications), is available for public inspection, free of charge on the application website <https://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/project-map/kintore-tealing-400kv-ohl-connection/> or on the Scottish Government Energy Consents website at <https://www.energyconsents.scot> under application reference **ECU00005225**.

Copies of the additional information may be obtained from the Company email:tkup@sse.com at a charge of £500 in hard copy and free of charge on a pen drive or CD.

**All previous representations received by Scottish Ministers in relation to the above application remain valid.**

Any new representations on the application may be submitted via [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot), using the relevant Project Name and/or ECU reference number. Please note that you must be in possession of a working email address to submit a representation virtually.

If you would prefer to submit your representation by post, please send to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4th Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation. Written representations should be dated, clearly stating the name (in block capitals) and full postal address of those making representations.

All representations should be received not later than **8<sup>th</sup> April 2026**. If a written representation is received after this date, Ministers may still consider it during the determination process.

Any subsequent additional information which is submitted by the developer will be subject to further public notice in this manner, and representations on such information will be accepted as per this notice.

Following examination of the environmental information, Scottish Ministers will determine the application for consent in one of two ways:

- Consent the proposal with or without conditions attached; or
- Reject the proposal.

#### General Data Protection Regulations

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