

**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, company registration number SC213461, with its registered office at Inveralmond House, 200 Dunkeld Road Perth PH1 3AQ, has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 to install and keep installed approximately 160km of new overhead line and underground cabling between the existing Ardmore substation located approximately 30km northwest of Portree (OS Grid Reference NG 22226 61110), to the existing Fort Augustus substation located approximately 2.5km west/southwest of Fort Augustus (OS Grid Reference NH 35594 08249).

This includes 110km of new double circuit 132kV overhead line supported by steel lattice towers between Fort Augustus and Broadford, 27km of new single circuit 132kV overhead line supported by trident wood poles (H poles) between Broadford and Ardmore substation, and approximately 24km of double circuit 132kV underground cable.

Given the length of the route for the new 132 kV transmission connection and to describe more easily the baseline environmental factors, the route has been split into seven defined geographical 'Sections'. The Sections are: Section 0 – Ardmore to Edinbane; Section 1 – Edinbane to North of Sligachan; Section 2 – North of Sligachan to Broadford; Section 3 – Broadford to Kyle Rhea; Section 4 – Kyle Rhea to Loch Cuaich; Section 5 – Loch Cuaich to Invergarry; and Section 6 – Invergarry to Fort Augustus. An EIA Report has been produced to accompany the application for consent.

Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc has also applied for 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.

A copy of the application, with a plan showing the land to which it relates, together with a copy of the EIA report discussing the Company'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
Portree and Raasay Service Point	Monday to Friday 1.30pm to 4.30pm	Tigh-na-Sgìre, Park Lane, Portree IV51 9GP
Broadford Library and Service Point	Tuesday to Friday 10.30am to 2pm and 3pm to 5pm	Old Corry Road, Broadford IV49 9AB
Fort Augustus Village Hall	Arranged by appointment by calling 01320 366800	Bunoich Brae, Fort Augustus PH32 4DG

The EIA report can also be viewed on the application website [Skye Reinforcement \(ssen-transmission.co.uk\)](https://www.sse-transmission.co.uk) or on the Scottish Government Energy Consents website at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot) under application reference ECU00003395

Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc (telephone: 07584313070 / email: [joanne.nicolson@sse.com](mailto:joanne.nicolson@sse.com)) at a charge of £2,400.00 per hard copy or by CD/DVD or Pen Drive, free of charge. Copies of a short Non-Technical Summary are available free of charge.

Any representations to the application may be submitted via the Energy Consents Unit website at [www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx](http://www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx); by email to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at [representations@gov.scot](mailto:representations@gov.scot); or by post to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU, identifying the proposal and specifying the grounds for representation. Please note that there may be a delay in the Energy Consents Unit receiving representations by post.

Written or emailed representations should be dated, clearly stating the name (in block capitals), full return email and postal address of those making representations. Only representations sent by email to [representations@gov.scot](mailto:representations@gov.scot) will receive acknowledgement.

All representations should be received not later than 14th November 2022 although Ministers may consider representations received after this date.

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

As a result of a statutory objection from the relevant planning authority, or where Scottish Ministers decide to exercise their discretion to do so, Scottish Ministers can also cause a Public Local Inquiry (PLI) to be held.

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

The Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit processes consent applications and consultation representations under the Electricity Act 1989. During the process, to support transparency in decision making, the Scottish Government publishes online at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot). A privacy notice is published on the help page at [www.energyconsents.scot](http://www.energyconsents.scot). This explains how the Energy Consents Unit processes your personal information. If you have any concerns about how your personal data is handled, please email [Econsents\\_admin@gov.scot](mailto:Econsents_admin@gov.scot).