

Appin Wind Farm EIA Report

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Volume 1: Written Text



Preface

An Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report has been prepared in support of an application by Appin Wind Farm Limited (a company wholly owned by Statkraft UK Limited) ('the Applicant') to the Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit (ECU) for Section 36 consent under the Electricity Act to construct and operate Appin Wind Farm ('the Proposed Development') in the Dumfries and Galloway Council (DGC) administrative area.

The Proposed Development is located 6.2 km north of Moniaive and 14.8 km east of Carsphairn. The Proposed Development will comprise up to nine turbines with a maximum of 200 m tip height, and other associated infrastructure.

The EIA Report comprises the following volumes:

- Volume 1: Written Text;
- Volume 2: Figures;
- Volume 3: Visualisations;
- Volume 4: Technical Appendices; and
- Volume 5: Confidential Documents.

In addition to the above, the application is accompanied by a Standalone Non-Technical Summary (NTS), a Planning Statement, a Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Report, a Socio-Economic Benefits Report as well as a tracked change version of the Standard Onshore Wind Conditions updated as applicable to the Proposed Development.

A hard copy of the EIA Report will be available for public viewing during the application consultation period at the following addresses:

- Dumfries and Galloway Council, Kirkbank House, English Street, Dumfries, DG1 2HS; and
- Glencairn Memorial Institute, 3 Chapel Street, Moniaive, Thornhill, DG3 4EJ

Hard copies of the NTS are available free of charge from:

- Write: Appin Wind Farm Limited, c/o Statkraft UK Limited, The Garment Factory, 10 Montrose Street, Glasgow, G1 1RE
- Telephone: 0800 772 0668
- Email: <u>UKProjects@statkraft.com</u>

Hard copies of the EIA Report and further information may be obtained by arrangement with the above address for £2,500 per copy, or £15 per disk/USB memory stick copy.

The documents will also be available for viewing online on the Scottish Government ECU planning portal (<u>https://www.energyconsents.scot/ApplicationSearch.aspx</u>), DGC planning portal (<u>https://eaccess.dumgal.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application</u>), and on the application website (<u>https://projects.statkraft.co.uk/appin/</u>).

Any public representations to the application may be submitted via the ECU website at <u>www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx</u>; by email to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at <u>representations@gov.scot</u>; or by post 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.

The Applicant will advertise the submission of the application in the local and national press (The Herald) and on the dedicated project website. The advert will state the deadline for submitting representations to Scottish Ministers.



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