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Dear John,

**Mossy Hill Shetland Limited**

**Application for construction and operation of 132 kV substation and ancillary infrastructure and associated works to connect Mossy Hill Wind Farm to the Transmission Network.**

**The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended)**

Mossy Hill Shetland Limited is pleased to submit a full application for the development of Mossy Hill Wind Farm (MHWF) Substation. The development would comprise the construction and operation of new 132kV substation infrastructure and associated works to connect to the 132kV transmission cables which will pass through the site and to enable connection of the consented Mossy Hill Wind Farm to the transmission network.

The proposed development has been subject to pre-application discussions and is classified as Major development by virtue of being in excess of 2 hectares and comprising an electricity substation at 132kV or above.

The 'red line' boundary seeks to include land required to construct and operate the proposed development. The site area extends to approximately 25.8 hectares and incorporates sufficient land such that appropriate landscaping and biodiversity proposal can be delivered alongside land for construction compounds, site access and drainage. The consented wind farm is a material consideration and provides for significant biodiversity enhancement which is relevant to this proposal which effectively seeks to replace already consented infrastructure for grid connection, to this combined site, within the MHWF redline boundary. A balanced approach to biodiversity enhancement in tandem with the MHWF delivery is proposed.

The application comprises the following key documents:

- > Forms and Certificates
- > Planning Statement
- > Design and Access Statement
- > PAC Report
- > Supporting Environmental Information Report and Technical Appendices and Figures
- > Figures:

- Figure 1 – Site Location Plan
  - Figure 2 – Site Location and Consented Development
  - Figure 3 – Constraints Designations within 5 km
  - Figure 4 - Proposed Development Layout
  - Figure 5a - Onsite Constraints - Peat Depths
  - Figure 5b- Onsite Constraints - Habitats
  - Figure 5c- Onsite Constraints - GWDTE and Historic Landfill
  - Figure 6- Substation Compound Layout Plan
  - Figure 7- Elevation of SSENT Substation
  - Figure 8- Elevation of Statkraft Substation
  - Figure 9 – Visual Context Plan.
- > Planning Drawings:
- Site Location Plan
  - Proposed Development Layout
  - Substation Compound Layout Plan
  - Existing Site Plan
  - Proposed Site Plan
- > Planning application fee for £88,704 with e-planning reference 100693620-001 (based on Category 13 of the Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 being: ‘The erection, alteration or replacement of plant or machinery”).

We trust that the attached information and the above description is sufficient for early registration and issue for consultation. Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely

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