

Renewable Energy Systems Ltd

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

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

Notice is hereby given that Renewable Energy Systems Ltd (RES), company registration number 1589961, with its Registered Office at Beaufort Court, Egg Farm Lane, Kings Langley, Hertfordshire, WD4 8LR, has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a generating station comprising of a wind farm and battery energy storage system, known as Bloch Wind Farm, in Dumfries and Galloway near Langholm, south of the B7068 (Central Grid Reference E 333000, N 580000). The combined installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be 171MW (126MW wind farm and 45MW battery energy storage system) comprising up to 21 wind turbines with a maximum ground to blade tip height of 230 metres and has been subject to Environmental Impact Assessment. An EIA Report has been produced to accompany the application for consent.

RES 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	Normal Opening Hours	Address
Langholm Town Hall	Monday: 9am to 12 noon, 1pm to 5pm Thursday: 9am to 12 noon, 1pm to 5pm	Market Place, High St, Langholm DG13 0JQ
Middlebie Community Centre	When the facilities are open for activities	Middlebie Lockerbie DG11 3HT

An additional hard copy will be available upon request with Middlebie and Waterbeck Community Council.

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, is available for public inspection, free of charge on the application website www.bloch-windfarm.co.uk or on the Scottish Government Energy Consents website at www.energyconsents.scot under application reference ECU00003463.

Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from Carey Green (telephone: +44 1872 226 931 / email: carey.green@res-group.com) at a charge of £1,500 per hard copy or free of charge on DVD/CD/USB.

Any representations to the application may be submitted via the Energy Consents Unit website at www.energyconsents.scot/Register.aspx; by email to the Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit mailbox at representations@gov.scot; 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. 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 will receive acknowledgement.

All representations should be received not later than **12th January 2023**, 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 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. A privacy notice is published on the help page at 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.