

EDF ENERGY RENEWABLES LIMITED

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

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

ELECTRICITY (APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT) REGULATIONS 1990

Notice is hereby given that EDF Energy Renewables Limited [Company Registration Number - 06456689, Alexander House 1 Mandarin Road, Rainton Bridge Business Park, Houghton Le Spring, Sunderland, England, DH4 5RA] has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate Watten Wind Farm in Caithness approximately 3 km south-west of Watten Village (Central Grid Reference [320769, 951676]) within the planning authority area of the Highland Council. The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be in excess of 50 MW comprising of up to seven turbines with a ground to blade tip height of up to 220 metres and associated battery energy storage system and infrastructure. The proposed development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and an EIA Report has been produced.

EDF Energy Renewables Limited has also applied for a direction under section 57(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 that planning permission for the proposed 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, at:

Location	Opening Hours	Address
Watten Village Hall	12:00 to 19:00 Monday to Friday	Watten Village Hall Wick KW1 5YL

The EIA Report can be viewed on the application website at (www.edf-re.uk/our-sites/watten/); or at www.energyconsents.scot and searching for the EIA Report using the ECU case reference number: ECU00004509.

Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from EDF Energy Renewables Limited (telephone: [0131 377 0253]/email (wattenwindfarm@edf-re.uk)) at a charge of £500 hard copy and free of charge on USB stick. 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; 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.

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 13th of October 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 one of two ways:

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

General Data Protection Regulations

The Scottish Government processes 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 Scottish Government processes your personal information. If you have any concerns about the processing of your personal information by the Scottish Government, please email EconsentsAdmin@gov.scot or write to Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit, 4th Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 8LU.