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Marine Scotland Licensing and Operations Team
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Dear ██████████

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT UNDER SECTION 36 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 FOR THE GENERATION OF UP TO 20MW OF ELECTRICITY FROM THE EXISTING EUROPEAN MARINE ENERGY CENTRE'S WAVE TEST SITE AT BILLIA CROO, ORKNEY.

Thank you for your comments on the application for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 submitted by The European Marine Energy Centre Ltd (EMEC) on 29th March 2019. EMEC have addressed the comments and hereby resubmits formal application for consent to generate up to 20MW of electricity at its existing grid-connected wave test site, Billia Croo. The consent period requested is to 2040.

Established in 2003, EMEC is the first and only centre of its kind in the world providing clients of both wave and tidal energy systems with purpose-built, accredited open-sea testing facilities. EMEC's grid-connected wave test site is located at Billia Croo, off the west coast of Orkney Mainland. This consent application has been submitted as a proposed change to the existing licensing arrangements for clients wishing to access EMEC's Billia Croo test site.

Full details of the proposal are included in the following documents submitted in support of this application:

- Billia Croo – Consent Boundary
- Billia Croo – Project Envelope (REP646)
- Billia Croo – Environmental Statement (including Non-technical Summary) (REP665)
- Billia Croo – Environmental Appraisal (REP666)
- Billia Croo – Seascape, Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (REP663)



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- Billia Croo – Navigation Risk Assessment (REP522)
- EMEC Socio-Economics Report (REP659)
- Marine Mammal Recording (SOP074)

Copies of these documents will be made publicly available at the following locations when instructed by Marine Scotland:

Stromness Library,
2-12 Victoria Street,
Stromness
KW16 3AA

Orkney Library & Archive
44 Junction Road
Kirkwall
KW15 1AG

Public notices advertising the application will be placed in the publications listed below, following agreement of publication date with Marine Scotland:

- The Press and Journal
- The Edinburgh Gazette
- The Orcadian

EMEC intends to pay the application fee by BACS upon invoice.

I trust that the documentation provided meets your requirements and we look forward to receiving your formal acceptance of the application. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further details in order to progress this consent application.

Yours sincerely



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