

ESB ASSET DEVELOPMENT UK LIMITED

ELECTRICITY ACT 1989

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997

THE ELECTRICITY WORKS (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (SCOTLAND)

REGULATIONS 2017

Notice is hereby given that ESB Asset Development UK Limited, company registration number 06925667, with its Registered Office at Tricor Suite 4th Floor, 50 Mark Lane, London, EC3R 7QR, has applied to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to construct and operate a renewable energy development, known as Millmoor Rig Wind Farm, located at Wauchope Forest, south of Bonchester Bridge in the Scottish Borders (Central Grid Reference: NGR ND 362654,606752).

The installed capacity of the proposed generating station would be over 50MW comprising up to 13 turbines, five with a maximum tip height of 180 metres (m), two with a maximum tip height of 200 m, four with a maximum tip height of 210 m and two with a maximum tip height of 230 m, as well as a battery energy storage facility of approximately 20MW. The Proposed Development is subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and an EIA Report has been produced to accompany the application for consent.

ESB Asset Development UK 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 development be deemed to be granted.

A printed copy of the application, including plans showing the lands to which it relates and the EIA Report, is available for public inspection in person, free of charge during normal office hours at:

- Scottish Borders Council, Council Headquarters, Newton, St Boswells, Melrose, TD6 0SA

Monday to Thursday 8.00 am to 5.00 pm, Friday 8.00am to 4.00 pm

Printed copies of the application have also been provided to Southdean and Hobkirk Community Councils.

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 webpage: <https://www.esbenergy.co.uk/millmoor-rig-wind-farm>

The EIA Report can also be viewed at the Scottish Government Energy Consents website at: www.energyconsents.scot, under application reference ECU00003426.

Copies of the EIA Report may be obtained from ESB Asset Development UK Limited (email: 'millmoorrig@esb.ie') at a charge of £1,000 per hard copy of Volumes 1-3, and £15 per digital copy on USB drive. 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: Scottish Government, Energy Consents Unit, 4th Floor, 5 Atlantic Quay, 150 Broomielaw, Glasgow, G2 BLU, 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 **31 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: 'Econsentsadmin@gov.scot'.