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Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005: Section 8(1) Screening

Update to the Climate Change Plan

Statement – Screening Determination

I refer to the screening report prepared for the Update to the Climate Change Plan, which was submitted to the SEA Gateway on 04/02/2020. Responses from the Consultation Authorities were received on 09/03/2020, whose overall opinion was that there is a likelihood of significant environmental effects.

I am writing on behalf of the Directorate for Local Communities and Government to confirm that the Scottish Government has determined, using the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005, that the Update to the Climate Change Plan is likely to have significant environmental effects. A Strategic Environmental Assessment is therefore required.

I enclose a copy of the determination advert which will be placed in the Edinburgh Gazette and Glasgow Herald. I would be grateful if you could forward this to the SEA Consultation Authorities.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Kind regards,

Elaine McCall

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Update to the Climate Change Plan

The Scottish Government has determined that the Update to the Climate Change Plan is likely to have significant environmental effects and that a Strategic Environmental Assessment is therefore required. The screening determination can be viewed at <https://www.gov.scot/publications/sea-screening-determinations-october-2019-to-october-2020/>.

A copy of the determination can be obtained by emailing SEA_Gateway@gov.scot or by calling 0131 244 7528. Written requests should be addressed to Strategic Environmental Assessment team, Planning and Architecture Division, Area 2F South, Scottish Government, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh EH6 6QQ.