Kind regards [Redacted]

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From:[Redacted]@redrockpower.co.uk>Sent:19 June 2017 15:32To:[Redacted]Cc:[Redacted]Subject:RE: Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping MeetingAttachments:ICOL Dundee Council Scoping Meeting Minutes 05 June 2017FINAL19062017.pdf

Hi [Redacted]

MS-LOT have been in touch noting an error in one of the minute points. It was in regards to your question about the time limit to the original consent. Just to clarify that there is a time limit, our original minute noted that there wasn't one-the Commencement of the Development must be a date no later than 5 years from the date the consent is granted, or such other date from the date of the granting of this consent as the Scottish Ministers may hereafter direct in writing. This therefore means that the deadline to commence work would be in October 2019 for the Original Development.

I've removed the minute from the final version- just in case this document is read in isolation away from this clarification.

Apologises about this, and the final version attached.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted] Sent: 12 June 2017 09:58 To: [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted] Subject: RE: Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping Meeting

Good morning[Redacted]

Thank you for your Minute of the meeting of 5th June which I consider to be a fair and accurate account.

Regards [Redacted]

[Redacted]

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---- [Redacted] @redrockpower.co.uk> wrote: -----To: [Redacted] From: [Redacted] @redrockpower.co.uk> Date: 06/08/2017 03:49PM Cc: [Redacted] @redrockpower.co.uk> Subject: RE: Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping Meeting Good afternoon [Redacted] Thanks very much for your time on Monday, it's much appreciated and we hope it was a helpful overview for you. I've briefly summarised the meeting with minutes attached, if you have any queries or additions it be appreciated if you could add to these. Marine Scotland are keen that we provide these to help inform the application. If you have any gueries please let me know. Thanks again, [Redacted] From: Sent: 02 June 2017 14:10 To: [Redacted] Subject: RE: Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping Meeting [Redacted] Thank you for your email. I am happy to meet with you next week. I cant do Wednesday but could do Monday at 2:30pm. My only other free time next week would be Friday morning.

Please advise of when would suit.

Regards

[Redacted]

Team Leader

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@redrockpower.co.uk> wrote: -----

To: [Redacted]

From: [Redacted] <u>@redrockpower.co.uk</u>> Date: 02/06/2017 09:46AM Cc: [Redacted] <u>@redrockpower.co.uk</u>>,[Redacted]

Subject: RE: Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping Meeting

Good morning [Redacted]

Thank you for your email and confirming that you'd like to have a meeting with us to discuss the Scoping Report.

I realise there is not a huge amount of time between now and when the responses to the Scoping Report are to be submitted to MS so its greatly appreciated.

We'd be able to come and meet with you on Monday or Wednesday next week (preferably) or Tuesday if neither of these days suit.

Similar meetings we've had have taken approximately an hour. In terms of the content we would really just like to give an overview of the process we've taken in scoping and to discuss any thoughts or questions you may have to help clarify the process to date. If there's anything in particular that you would like to discuss if you can let me know we can determine whether or not we would also need any of our consultants?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted] Sent: 01 June 2017 18:08 To: [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted] Subject: Re: Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping Meeting

[Redacted] Dear

Thank you for your email of 31 May 2017 regarding the Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping Report.

I would be happy for you to meet with[Redacted] , Team Leader of Development Plans and Regeneration [Redacted] to discuss the proposals and the Scoping Report.

Please contact directly to arrange a suitable day and time.

Regards

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@redrockpower.co.uk> wrote: -----

To: [Redacted] From: [Redacted] Date: 31/05/2017 01:36PM Cc [Redacted]

@redrockpower.co.uk>

Subject: Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm- Scoping Meeting

Dear [Redacted]

Dundee City Council were previously invited by Marine Scotland to attend a meeting to discuss the content of the recent Scoping report submitted by Red Rock Power for a proposed revised development at the Inch Cape Offshore Wind Farm (final invite attached for reference).

We've been carrying out a series of meetings with key consultees since the Scoping Report has been submitted and we are still keen to engage with you at this stage. The general feeling from these meetings has been that they've been beneficial to clarify any uncertainties presented in the Scoping Report and to discuss at an early stage any other thoughts consultees have.

We therefore would like to offer up this invite again. We are aware that there is not a huge amount of time between now and the time for any responses to the scoping report, however if you do have time between now and then we would of course be happy to come to you to discuss the scoping report and the scope of work proposed for the EIA.

If you do have availability could you please let me know what times you are available so we can hopefully get a meeting organised?

I've attached a link to the Scoping Report below if required:

http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0051/00517517.pdf

Please let me know if you have any queries, or if you would like a call to discuss please let me know and I can give you a call.

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Therefore, we would like to invite you to a meeting at Red Rock Power's offices, Edinburgh (address below) to discuss the 'Seascape and Landscape Visual Impact Assessment' element of the report.

Agenda attached.

Final confirmed time and venue:-

Date: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017

Time: 1pm-3pm

Venue: Red Rock Power's offices, 5th floor, 40 Princes Street, Edinburgh EH2 2BY

If you have any queries, or if you have any specific access requirements, please contact us.

TC and VC facilities will be available, please contact us to request the details if required.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

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From:	[Redacted]	@redrockpower.co.uk>	
Sent:	19 June 2017 10:39		
То:	[Redacted]		
Cc:	[Redacted]		
Subject:	RE: ICOL: Minutes- Natural Fish and Benthic Ecology - MS Comments		
Attachments:	INC1-EC-NEW-070-	RNE-MOM-004 Natural Fish Scoping Meeting	28 May 2017
	Minutes final for consideration.docx		

Hi [Redacted]

Please find attached the updated minutes for final review. If you are able to confirm that they can be finalised I can do this.

With regards to the HRA/ EIA requirements-we are still a little confused around these discussions. Our interpretation being:

There is no requirement to assess impacts under HRA on those SAC species, but these species should be assessed under EIA. However, because we are proposing to scope out all impacts other than noise for hearing specialists, we would therefore not require to assess SAC species (eg we don't expect that there will be a significant effect and therefore they can, on this occasion, also be scoped out of the EIA).

We do appreciated that we have been asked to consider different elements, other than piling, but we would hope that within the scoping response this will be expanded on as to what exactly is required- and of course we have left in those comments around this.

Please give me a shout if you have any queries.

Thanks [Redacted]

> From: [Redacted] Sent: 14 June 2017 14:03 To: [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted]

Subject: ICOL: Minutes- Natural Fish and Benthic Ecology - MS Comments

Dear[Redacted]

Final batch of minutes! Our comments on the Natural Fish & Benthic Ecology minutes attached.

#### Please also note response:

"The minutes reflect the meeting with regards marine fish so I have no comment in that regard. I note the discussion regarding particle motion during which highlighted that there wasn't enough literature to warrant another literature review. This may well be the case however as per the advice provided on the scoping report after the meeting, our suggestion is that there is indeed some literature and that this should not be omitted from the ES."

Best

[Redacted]

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Dh'fhaodadh gum bi teachdaireachd sam bith bho Riaghaltas na h-Alba air a chlàradh neo air a sgrùdadh airson dearbhadh gu bheil an siostam ag obair gu h-èifeachdach neo airson adhbhar laghail eile. Dh'fhaodadh nach eil beachdan anns a' phost-d seo co-ionann ri beachdan Riaghaltas na h-Alba.

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From: Sent: To: Cc: [Redacted] 20 June 2017 15:50 [Redacted] [Redacted]

Subject:

RE: Inch Cape: SLVIA further information

[Redacted]

#### [Redacted]

Thank you for agreement on including North Berwick Law as a viewpoint, and the addition of the wireframes as an appendix. I think this is a good approach given both the wide area that is potentially affected and the desirability of keeping assessment focussed, and we appreciate that. Would it be possible to request the preparation of one further wireframe, and if helpful its inclusion in the ES appendix? The viewpoints we suggested for wireframes were proposed to inform understanding of the interaction of the proposal with the seascape, of which the distinctive islands of the Forth are an important feature. Since the meeting (and submitting our Scoping Response) we have given this some further consideration, in particular as regards the proposal in relation to the Forth islands. There are several viewpoints where we thought it might be useful to have further wirelines, however there is one general view in particular which we do not consider is properly covered by those we previously requested. This is the view towards the Bass Rock from approximately 358200, 685137. This point on the A198 has a good view towards the Bass from the cliff top, which is likely to be similar to those obtained from North Berwick Golf course and the coast road/clifftop generally. We think this would be sufficiently different from the others previously requested as it has the Bass Rock on the horizon, rather than framed by the sea as in the view from North Berwick Law, and also (we think) would have the island and the proposal viewed together. This road was one of the most frequently mentioned places in our recent consultation on Special Landscape Areas as having good views, and is promoted by East Lothian Council as 'Scotlands Golf Coast Road'.

As regards the study area for landscape and visual impacts of this proposal alone (i.e. not cumulative impacts) consider as stated in our Scoping Response to Marine Scotland that this should extend to 60km. For East Lothian, a very small part of the area with open sea views in the general direction of Inchcape is caught within the 50km study area proposed. The ZTV up to 80km supplied shows that there is considerable theoretical visibility within East Lothian in areas between 50 and 60km where a sea view is part of the character of the area, including some of the most strongly coastal areas of East Lothian with views towards the proposal. Although Inch Cape is at some distance which undoubtedly reduces is presence in the view, it nonetheless has a potential to become an element within such sea views, which is a change to baseline conditions.

## Regards,

[Redacted]

[Redacted] [Redacted] Planning Service Development East Lothian Council John Muir House HADDINGTON EH41 3HA

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From: [Redacted] Sent: 15 June 2017 09:15 To: [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted]

Subject: RE: Inch Cape: SLVIA further information

Good morning [Redacted]

Thank you for your email.

We do understand the sensitivity of North Berwick Law in terms of being a popular summit hill walk providing panoramic views, and in consultation with SLR, we agree that it will be included as a specific viewpoint within the assessment for the Revised Development.

In terms of the East Lothian coastline and the wirelines that were produced for our meeting, we are pleased that you also find them useful in showing the limited impacts that would occur and we agree to include them as illustrative wireline viewpoints within an appendix to the ES, which would be referenced in the main document with a summary assessment.

We would like to clarify that we still propose to retain the 50km study area as whilst we are prepared to include a full assessment of North Berwick Law as a specific viewpoint we do not consider that this view is representative of effects on the wider coastline where significant effects are very unlikely due to lower lying land and curvature of the earth.

We hope that you find the above approach acceptable.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted] Sent: 14 June 2017 11:53 To: [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted]

Subject: RE: Inch Cape: SLVIA further information

# [Redacted]

We consider the sensitivity of North Berwick Law to be 'High' as it involves 'people engaged in outdoor recreation'; this is a well used and popular recreational asset, with a viewpoint indicator at the top. We consider the Magnitude of Impact may be moderate, in that it is potentially a partial loss or alteration of one or more key elements/features of baseline conditions, in this case the sea view/horizon. Using your matrix on page 41, this would represent a Major/moderate impact which is significant. We therefore request a full assessment and photomontages for the viewpoints both at Dunbar (which has the potential to be significant on its own due both to recreational and residential use) and North Berwick Law – due to its high sensitivity as noted above.

It is our view that the impact on the landscape and seascape as a whole has the potential to be significant, and the purpose of the ES is to understand the nature of this impact. This could include the impact of the development on views from East Lothian overall, even though not all of these views might alone and in themselves be significant. We consider that the additional wireframes would allow wider public understanding of the impact (or lack of) on views from the beaches and attractions in East Lothian, and would therefore aid their participation in decision making. We are not requesting photographs from these viewpoints but that the wireframes already produced be included.

To allow for a focussed and proportionate study however we have not requested that full analysis be done from each of these additional wireframe viewpoints, nor the provision of the amount of photomontage material suggested by SNH in their guidance on visual representation of windfarms.

Regards,

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From:[Redacted] Sent: 13 June 2017 10:18 To: [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted] redrockpower.co.uk]

Subject: RE: Inch Cape: SLVIA further information

Thanks for this [Redacted]

It remains our position that we feel that impacts from these viewpoints are not likely to lead to significant effectsespecially from Yellow Craig, Ravensheugh Sands and Tantallon. As noted within the scoping report, scoping meeting, and subsequent note, our approach will be to follow EIA guidance and focus the EIA on those impacts that are likely to lead to a significant effect. The feedback received throughout the scoping meetings was that consultees were very supportive of this approach.

As discussed at the meeting, the VP's have been selected to provide a representative overview of the potential impacts, if we were to include 5 viewpoints in East Lothian at c. 50km from the nearest likely proposed turbine we don't believe this would materially add to the assessment. We feel that the viewpoint from Dunbar adequately provides a representative view for East Lothian at such distances.

We feel that the additional wires and justification note produced for ELC, provided sufficient information to demonstrate that impacts from these viewpoints are not likely to lead to significant effect and therefore we maintain that they should not be included within the EIA.

Kind regards,

[Redacted]

From: [Redacted] Sent: 12 June 2017 11:53 To: [Redacted] Cc: [Redacted] Subject: RE: Inch Cape: SLVIA further information

[Redacted]

Thanks for sending the wirelines through.

It remains East Lothian Council's view as expressed to Marine Scotland in our response to Scoping, that these wirelines should be included within the Environment Statement along with the others noted in our response to Scoping. The viewpoint from North Berwick Law in our view should be submitted in the photographic format described in SNH guidance on visual representation of windfarms. The other views noted in our response we consider to be acceptable as wirelines.

These comments only concern the SLVIA and not cultural heritage which needs to be considered separately. Regards,

[Redacted]

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From: [Redacted] Sent: 08 June 2017 15:06 To: [Redacted] edrockpower.co.uk]

Cc: [Redacted] Subject: Inch Cape: SLVIA further information

Hi all,

I've now received ELC's comments on the minutes to the SLVIA meeting, I'll wait to hear back from SNH before addressing these and reissuing an updated version.

As discussed at the meeting ICOL were to provide ELC with additional wirelines from other viewpoints in East Lothian as well as a ZTV that goes beyond the 50km study area, apologises these have taken longer to distribute than anticipated but I have now attached these.

Accompanying these wires and ZTV is an additional note which expands on the information produced in the Scoping Report. This information is in relation the proposed Study Area for SLVIA. As can be seen from this note, ICOL are still proposing that a 50km study area remains sufficient and proportionate to assess the potential significant effects from the Revised Development.

We hope that this information is clear and helps inform any responses to the proposed study area, should you require any additional information please let me know.

Kind regards,

From: [Redacted] Sent: 07 June 2017 15:00 To: [Redacted]

Subject: Inch Cape: SLVIA Scoping meeting minutes

Hi all,

Please find attached the SLVIA minutes from the meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017, if you have any comments please amend using track changes and comment boxes please.

If you are able to provide any comments by 14<sup>th</sup> June please.

[Redacted] - apologises we've not been in touch, but we plan on sending through the additional information that was discussed at the meeting though in the next couple of days.

Please let me know if there are any queries.

Many thanks

[Redacted]

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# Inch Cape Offshore Limited Minutes – Inch Cape Marine Mammals Scoping report

Date: 26 May 2017

Location: Marine Scotland Laboratory, Aberdeen

**Subject:** Marine Mammals - Scoping report and introduction to the Revised Development

Attendees: [Redacted]

Apologies: [Redacted] Chair - [Redacted] hale and Dolphin Conservation

ITEM	MINUTE
1.0	elivered the presentation on marine mammals providing an overview of the process proposed.
2.0	asked whether the use of ADD was being considered for mitigation and if so, would it be sensible to assess this within the ES?
	noted that this was being considered, was referenced in the Scoping Document and explained the potential use of ADD is being considered. If appropriate, although unlikely to lead to a significant effect, the use of ADD could be considered in the assessment
	noted that at BOWL they are using ADD and a soft start protocol trial.
	ICOL noted their intention to follow developments in best practice that is being developed through the trials conducted within the Moray Firth.
3.0	stated that due to the increase in potential blow energy that is likely to be required at some turbine locations over that assessed within the Original Development, the EIA for the Revised Development will assess impacts from impulsive noise upon marine mammals.
	Noise modelling will be carried out with the new design and construction parameters. There was a general consensus that the approach adopted for the original development was based upon conservative assumptions, and as the modelling and understanding on impacts has moved on, the new modelling will ensure that as much of the conservatism as possible will be removed (based on expert opinion and review of scientific literature). It is hoped that a more realistic assessment can be achieved.

4.0	There was further discussion about the PTS onset modelling for marine mammals
	outlined that the revised assessment criteria will incorporate revised PTS onset thresholds, developments in noise modelling methodologies, and NMFS 2016 guidelines with respect to impulsive noise profiles becoming considered to resemble continuous noise profiles with distance from the noise source.
	A brief discussion was held about animal startle response and flee speed, and how this should be incorporated within the modelling for PTS onset. In noted that SAFESIM includes a movement model that may be useful when considering post startle response.
5.0	noted that the interim PCoD software has been updated.
	A new version of the software should be released soon.
	noted the intention of ICOL to utilise the up-dated iPCoD model for population level impact modelling for relevant species.
6.0	xplained that at the time of the Original EIA, the use of geophysical survey equipment during cable installation was not understood and so not assessed. This will be addressed within the Revised Development EIA.
	noted that the impact from this activity is not expected to be significant (local displacement for short periods of time).
	noted that EPS licensing will be required also. suggested that the EPS licence application doesn't need to form part of the EIA as details of the construction method statement would not be available. also noted that the intention be to have an overarching project EPS licence for the duration of the construction that would seek to cover all aspects of construction activity - covering items such as further impacts on foundation piling, cable laying, and geophysical and geotechnical surveys. The general consensus was that as long as sufficient information on the different activities that would require an EPS licence were included, this could be possible. The ES should contain information which can be transferred to the EPS application
7.0	noted that the seal count data from SCOS could be used in conjunction with the SMRU seal usage maps to inform the seal baseline for the assessment.
	The SCOS report is available on SMRU website and will be included in the assessment to up-date the baseline. The final versions of the SMRU at sea density maps will be available from the Marine Scotland web site in a few months.
8.0	SNH noted that they were happy with the current management units for apportioning seals and bottlenose dolphin.
	There were further discussions regarding the other practical implications for the use of management units for other species (especially for minke whale and harbour porpoise). Implications that ICOL are proposing two workshops, the first of which would be used to discuss and agree on baseline and impact methodology. Included within baseline considerations is how the management units would be broken down to inform the assessment. Implications oted that all agreements will need to be minuted and this was agreed.