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Document 1

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@scottishrenewables.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 2:31 PM

To: Michelle Quinn <Michelle.Quinn@gov.scot>

Subject: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

Dear Michelle,

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If you would like to attend this dinner, please do RSVP to myself by **Friday, November 10**, to avoid disappointment.

Best wishes,

[redacted]
Scottish Renewables

Working hours: 0900 - 1700 hrs

M: [redacted]

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Document 2

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of** Director of Offshore Wind
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2023 5:41 PM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Subject: RE: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

Thanks [redacted] – will do

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2023 5:15 PM
To: Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Subject: RE: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

Happy to attend

Could you reply on my behalf please and I will put in my calendar?

[redacted]

[redacted]
Programme, Investment and Skills
Offshore Wind Directorate
Scottish Government
[redacted]

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of** Director of Offshore Wind
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 12:32 PM
To: [redacted] [redacted]@gov.scot
Cc: Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Subject: FW: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

Hi [redacted]

Please see the invitation below. Michelle will be unable to attend and has asked if you would be interested?

Thanks [redacted]

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Document 3

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@scottishrenewables.com>
Sent: Friday, October 27, 2023 9:19 AM
To: Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Subject: RE: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

Hi [redacted],

Thank you for getting back to me on this.

I look forward to meeting you there, [redacted].

I will issue further details to [redacted] closer to the time.

Kind regards,

[redacted]
Scottish Renewables

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From: [redacted]@gov.scot <[redacted]@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of**
DirectorOSW@gov.scot
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2023 4:19 PM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@scottishrenewables.com>
Cc: [redacted]@gov.scot; DirectorOSW@gov.scot
Subject: RE: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

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Good afternoon **[redacted]**,

Michelle has asked me to pass on her thanks for your very kind invitation. Unfortunately she is unable to attend however our **[redacted]** would be delighted to accept.

Michelle sends her wishes for a successful evening!

Kind regards, **[redacted]**

[redacted] | Directorate for Offshore Wind | Scottish Government

E: **[redacted]**@gov.scot | Mob: **[redacted]**

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From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Sent: Friday, January 5, 2024 2:07 PM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>;
Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Subject: FW: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

To confirm that I'll be attending the Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner on Wednesday next week on behalf of [redacted].

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@scottishrenewables.com>
Sent: Friday, January 5, 2024 1:30 PM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Subject: RE: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

Hi [redacted],

I'd be happy to make the change.

I look forward to seeing you next week.

Kind regards,

[redacted]
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From: [redacted]@gov.scot <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Sent: Friday, January 5, 2024 10:55 AM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@scottishrenewables.com>
Subject: FW: Invitation to Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner

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Dear [redacted],

[redacted] previously accepted the invitation to the Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Dinner on behalf of the Director of Offshore Wind -Michelle Quinn, however, [redacted] is now unable to attend due to a family emergency and has asked that I attend in her place. Can you please confirm that this is acceptable and add my name to attendee list?

Kind regards,

[redacted]

[redacted]
Offshore Wind Directorate
Scottish Government
[redacted]



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Document 5

From: Michelle Quinn <Michelle.Quinn@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of** Director of Offshore Wind
Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 6:33 PM
To: Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work & Energy <CabSecWEFWE@gov.scot>; Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Subject: RE: Scottish Renewables Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

Hi [redacted],

Apologies, the delay is mine – I've just gone back to the team with a few comments so it should be with you first thing in the morning.

M

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of** Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work & Energy
Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 5:58 PM
To: Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Cc: Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work & Energy <CabSecWEFWE@gov.scot>
Subject: Scottish Renewables Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

Hi Michelle,

Can you please update on when we should get sight of Cab Sec's briefing for the Dinner on Wednesday?

Thanks,

[redacted]

[redacted]

The Scottish Government

St Andrew's House | Regent Road | Edinburgh | EH1 3DG

T: [redacted] | **M:** [redacted] | **Email:** CabSecWEFWE@gov.scot

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Document 6

From: Michelle Quinn <Michelle.Quinn@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of** Director of Offshore Wind
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To: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Subject: RE: Approval Needed - DRAFT Briefing - Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy Fair Work and Energy - SR Supply Chain Dinner - 10 January 2024 (A46662046)

Thanks [redacted] and apologies for missing your deadline.

The speech itself is very good, but I'm not sure that the joke at the start sets quite the right tone – could you please have another look at that? Then I'm happy for this to go on [redacted] clearance.

Michelle

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 10:43 AM
To: Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>
Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Subject: Approval Needed - DRAFT Briefing - Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy Fair Work and Energy - SR Supply Chain Dinner - 10 January 2024 (A46662046)
Importance: High

Good morning Michelle,

Please find (attached) a briefing and speaking note for the Cabinet Secretary's attendance at SR's Supply Chain Dinner on Wed 10 January. These have been cleared by [redacted].

Grateful if you could confirm you are content.

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Kind regards,

[redacted] | Directorate for Offshore Wind | Scottish Government
Tel: [redacted] and [redacted]@gov.scot

Document 7

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>
Sent: Monday, January 8, 2024 6:50 PM
To: Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work & Energy
<CabSecWEFWE@gov.scot>
Cc: Director of Offshore Wind <DirectorOSW@gov.scot>; [redacted]
<[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot>; [redacted]
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McCaig <Callum.Mccaig@gov.scot>; Emily Mackintosh
<Emily.Mackintosh@gov.scot>
Subject: speaking note and briefing - Scottish Renewables Supply Chain Dinner -
10 January 2024

PO

With apologies for the delay, please find attached the briefing pack and speaking note for Wednesday evening's Scottish Renewables Supply Chain Dinner. With thanks to [redacted] for drafting.

Kind regards

[redacted]

[redacted] | Directorate for Offshore Wind | Scottish Government
Tel: [redacted]

Document 7a – Briefing for Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy

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| What | You are invited to Scottish Renewables’ annual parliamentary dinner, bringing together MSPs, suppliers, and developers in Scotland's renewable sector. The event offers networking, themed discussions during dinner, and an opportunity for you to deliver remarks on behalf of the Scottish Government. |
| Where | Holyrood Room, The Scottish Parliament |
| When | Wednesday 10 January, 18:00 – 21:00 |
| Key message(s) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the voice of Scotland’s renewable energy industry, Scottish Renewables plays a critical role in Scotland’s transition to net zero. • We will continue to work in partnership with businesses across Scotland to achieve our commitment to a just transition to net zero that delivers for communities across Scotland. • We are determined to maximise the economic opportunity for the Scottish supply chain from our offshore wind potential. |
| Who | <p>Sarah Boyack MSP is the event’s sponsor. Scottish Renewables is the trade body for the renewable energy sector in Scotland. <i>A full list of attendees, as well as your fellow top table guests, is set out in Annex B.</i></p> |
| Why | <p>An opportunity to celebrate the key role supply chain businesses will play in delivering our clean energy transition. Given the pipeline of work coming across all renewable energy technologies, there is a huge opportunity for Scottish supply chain growth in the years ahead.</p> <p>MiCase - View Case 388137</p> |
| Supporting official | [redacted] |
| Briefing contents | <p>Annex A: Event Programme Annex B: Attendee List Annex C: Summary Page Annex D: Speaking Note</p> |
| Dress code | Business wear |
| Greeting party and specific meeting point on arrival. | You and Ms Martin will be greeted by [redacted] at the entrance to the Holyrood Room. |

AGENDA

18:00 - Guest arrival, registration and networking with refreshments

[redacted] to meet Mr Gray on arrival and introduce key attendees. Guests seated for 19:00 start.

19:00 - Welcome, Claire Mack - Scottish Renewables (6 mins)

Claire Mack introduces the Cabinet Secretary. Mr Gray's table will be located next to the lectern.

19:06 - Opening remarks, Neil Gray MSP - Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy (6 mins)

Claire Mack thanks Mr Gray and introduces event sponsor, Sarah Boyack MSP.

19:12 - Sponsor remarks, Sarah Boyack MSP (6 mins)

19:18 - Dinner served

21:00 - Event close

TOP TABLE ATTENDEE LIST:

| Forename | Surname | Role/Organisation |
|------------|---------|--|
| [redacted] | | [redacted], Scottish Renewables |
| | | [redacted], Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult |
| | | Scottish Parliament, MSP for Lothian (Region), Scottish Labour |
| | | [redacted], Ocean Winds |
| | | [redacted], Inverness and Cromarty Green Freeport |
| | | [redacted], Balmoral |
| | | [redacted], Port of Aberdeen |
| | | [redacted], Energy Transition Zone |
| | | [redacted], Department for Energy Security and Net-Zero, UK Government |

FULL ATTENDEE LIST:

| Forename | Surname | Organisation |
|------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| [redacted] | | Balmoral |
| | | Blue Float & Renantis |
| | | Boskallis |
| | | BP |
| | | Bruce Anchor |
| | | Buchan Offshore Wind |
| | | Clarksons |
| | | Crown Estate Scotland |
| | | DESNZ |
| | | EDF Renewables |
| | | EDF Renewables |
| | | ETZ |
| | | First Marine Solutions |
| | | FoundOcean |
| | | Fugro |
| | | Fulkrum |
| | | Fred Olsen |
| | | GE |
| | | Global Energy Group |
| | | Gravitricity |
| | | Haventus |
| | | IMS Heat Pumps |
| | | Inch Cape Offshore Wind |
| | | Inverness and Cromarty Green Freeport |
| | | Jan De Nul |
| | | Kent |
| | | Kishorn Port |
| | | Mocean |

Montrose Port
Motive Offshore
Mott MacDonald
Natural Power Consultants
North Star Renewables
Ocean Winds
ORE Catapult
Orkney Harbour
Peel Ports
Port of Aberdeen
Port of Cromarty Firth
ReBlade
RJ McLeod
Scottish Renewables
Scottish Renewables
Scottish Renewables
Scottish Renewables
Scottish Renewables
Shell
SSE
SSEN Transmission
Statera
Story Contracting
Subsea 7
The Scottish Government
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Banffshire and Buchan Coast, SNP
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for Mid
Scotland and Fife, Scottish Labour
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for Lothian,
Scottish Labour
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Highlands and Islands, Scottish Green
Party
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for Lothian,
Scottish Labour
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Aberdeen Donside, SNP
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for North
East Scotland, Scottish Conservative and
Unionist Party
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Edinburgh Southern, Scottish Labour
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Edinburgh Northern and Leith, SNP
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for North
East Scotland, Scottish Labour
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for Orkney
Islands, Scottish Liberal Democrats

The Scottish Parliament, MSP for Glasgow
Provan, SNP
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for East
Lothian, SNP
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Greenock and Inverclyde, SNP
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Glasgow, Scottish Labour
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for
Aberdeen South and North Kincardine,
SNP
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for Central
Scotland, Scottish Conservative and
Unionist Party
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for South
Scotland, Scottish Labour
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for South
Scotland, Scottish Conservative and
Unionist Party
The Scottish Parliament, MSP for Falkirk
East, SNP
Thistle Wind Partners
Three60 Energy
Van Oord
Vestas
Vattenfall
West of Orkney
Worley

TOP LINES

UP TO £500 MILLION STRATEGIC INVESTMENT INTO OFFSHORE WIND SUPPLY CHAIN

- We are kick-starting our commitment of up to £500 million to anchor our offshore wind supply-chain in Scotland with investment of £67 million in 2024-2025.
- This commercial and grant investment will stimulate and support private investment in the infrastructure and manufacturing facilities critical to the growth of our world-leading offshore wind sector.
- The FM Investor Panel highlighted the sector as the single most important opportunity for attracting capital to Scotland and raising Scotland's wider investment profile.
- Our strategic investment will support market certainty, fostering a competitive economy, create new jobs, embed innovation, and boost skills.
- It underscores our determination to maximise the economic benefits from Scotland's offshore wind potential.
- We have worked with public sector partners to develop a framework which will achieve strategic alignment of public sector investment in offshore renewables supply chain and infrastructure development.
- This very much aligns with the approach taken in developing the Strategic Investment Model (SIM) to move from project-led to sector level investment that better supports growth in port and supply chain capacity and capability.
- There is a strong pipeline of port infrastructure and supply chain projects now emerging through the SIM process. Currently SIM projects have a combined total Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) of around £9BN.
- This highlights the huge opportunity there is for collaboration and demonstrates there is a strong appetite from partners to take a strategic approach to delivery of infrastructure and port investment as well as manufacturing and fabrication.
- We will continue to collaborate with public sector partners and engage with industry and other partners as we finalise our approach.

OFFSHORE WIND SUPPLY CHAIN AND JOBS

- We are determined to maximise the economic opportunity for the Scottish supply chain from our offshore wind potential.
- It is widely accepted that offshore wind represents a significant opportunity to create thousands of good Scottish jobs. We want to ensure a just transition that takes our existing skilled workforce and supply chain with us.
- We welcome the commitment of developers to invest an average projection of £1.5 bn in Scotland per project across the 20 ScotWind offshore wind projects.
- We will drive forward offshore wind skills development – working with stakeholders to focus on the opportunities for diversification and skills transfer from our oil and gas sector, in line with our commitment to a Just Transition.
- The Green Jobs Fund will make £100m of capital investment available to businesses and supply chains across Scotland to help create new green jobs.

- The latest report from the Offshore Wind Industry Council (OWIC) [June 2023], predicted jobs in this sector in the UK could grow to over 100,000 by 2030.
- This OWIC report also shows a 4% increase in offshore wind jobs compared to 2021/22, showing that the sector currently supports over 32,000 jobs, almost 30% of which are in Scotland.

ONSHORE WIND & SUPPLY CHAIN

- Onshore wind is a cheap and reliable source of electricity generation; with Scotland's resource and our commitment seeing us lead the way in onshore wind deployment across the UK.
- The Onshore Wind Policy Statement 2022 (Dec 2022) introduced a new ambition for a minimum installed capacity of 20GW of onshore wind in Scotland by 2030.
- To ensure this ambition can be delivered and with maximum benefit to people in Scotland we have established an onshore wind strategic leadership group charged with developing a sector deal.
- The Onshore Wind Sector Deal was signed with industry on 21 September 2023.
- The deal is a shared commitment between Government and industry to deliver upon our joint ambitions while growing a key sector in a way that aligns with the principles of a Just Transition.
- The deal covers planning; community energy and benefit; technical barriers; environment; regulatory barriers; and supply chain, skills and circular economy.
- As part of that deal, we will maximise the benefits that onshore wind can create for local communities and for Scotland's economy and we committed to halving the determination time for new section 36 applications. Industry also committed to delivering at least one blade treatment plant in Scotland by 2030.

SOLAR

- Solar has an important role to play in Scotland's transition to net zero and our aim is to maximise the contribution solar can make to a just, inclusive, transition to net zero by 2045.
- Through the consultation of the draft ESJTP, we are currently considering the evidence for setting a solar deployment ambition. We will provide an updated position in our final Solar Vision in due course.
- We continue to encourage the solar industry to offer community benefit, in line with our Good Practice Principles.

ENERGY STRATEGY AND JUST TRANSITION PLAN

- We are fully committed to the delivery of a credible Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan that provides policy certainty for consumers, workers, businesses and investors.
- In December 2023, Strathclyde University's Fraser of Allander Institute reported that Scotland's renewable energy industry and its supply chain supported more than 42,000 jobs and generated over £10.1 billion of output in 2021, representing more than 50% growth. Through our draft Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan, the Scottish Government has set out a clear vision to help grow our renewables capabilities even further over the coming years, and we will keep working with the sector to make sure our renewables revolution continues playing a pivotal role in a securing a just transition for our energy workforce, and a fairer, greener Scotland for everyone.
- A comprehensive draft Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan was published for consultation on 10 January 2023, setting out our vision for a future net zero energy system.
- Realising this vision will deliver affordable, secure and clean energy, and benefit communities across Scotland by providing high quality jobs and economic opportunities. The consultation closed in May 2023 with over 1500 responses and on 28 September we published an independent consultation analysis.
- The views of those consultees are vitally important, and it is critical that we take the time needed to respond to the views expressed.
- Ahead of the publication of the final strategy by Summer 2024, work to deliver a just transition to a net zero energy system continues at pace.
- We recently published our Onshore Wind Sector Deal and by the end of this year we expect to publish our draft Bioenergy Policy Statement.
- The PwC's Green Jobs Barometer 2023 confirmed that Scotland is leading the way in delivering a green jobs revolution and unlocking the tremendous potential that our energy transition and wider net zero journey holds.

ENERGY - KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

- Scotland has a quarter of the UK's renewable electricity capacity and generates a quarter of the UK's renewable electricity despite having less than a tenth of the UK Population. [2021 mid-year estimates indicate that 8% of the UK was in Scotland].
- As of the second quarter of 2023, Scotland has 9.4 GW of onshore wind capacity which is more than the rest of the UK combined, the rest of the UK has 5.8 GW. In other words Scotland has 62% of the total onshore wind capacity.
- Scotland has more than doubled its renewable electricity generation over the last decade, including possessing approximately 7% of Europe's installed offshore wind capacity.
- As of the second quarter of 2023, 100% of the UK's floating offshore wind capacity, 98% of the UK's shoreline wave and tidal capacity and 88% of the UK's hydro capacity is located in Scotland.
- Scotland's renewable electricity generation in 2023 in quarter 2 was 5,687 GWh – a 23.5% decrease from the 7,435 GWh generated in the same quarter in 2022.

- In the first half of 2023, Scotland generated 16,008 GWh of renewable electricity, down 14.6% on the same point in 2022.
- Renewable electricity capacity increased by 10.9% from June 2022 to 14.9 GW in June 2023.
- The equivalent of 24.0% of total Scottish energy consumption came from renewable sources (provisional figures for 2021). A decrease from 26.4% in 2020.
- In 2020, our renewable electricity generation was equivalent to 98.1% of Scotland's gross electricity consumption (final figures for 2020) from renewable sources rising from 89.6% in 2019.
- Final figures for 2021 indicate that the equivalent of 85.0% of gross electricity consumption was from renewable sources. This is a 13.1 percentage point decrease compared to 2020, which is due to milder weather in 2021 negatively impacting renewable electricity generation.
- Of all the electricity generated in Scotland, 57.0% is renewable (2021) with the remainder from nuclear, fossil fuels and other generation.
- There was around a 4,000 GWh decrease in renewable energy between 2020 and 2021. Renewable electricity contributes fourth-fifths of all Scotland's renewable energy, followed by renewable heat and biofuels transport.
- 477 renewable electricity projects with an estimated capacity of 23.0 GW are in the pipeline (as of June 2023). 4.2 GW of these are under construction, most of which are offshore wind farms off the Moray Firth.
- 6.7 GW are awaiting construction and 12.0 GW are in planning
- It is estimated that 56.5 TWh of renewable electricity could be generated by those projects in the pipeline.
- 20.3 TWh of electricity was exported in 2022 and 1.5 TWh imported.

AMBITIONS

- Target of 6 TWh of thermal energy through heat networks by 2030 representing around 8% of current heat demand.
- Ambition for a minimum installed capacity of 20GW of onshore wind in Scotland by 2030.
- Ambition to produce 5 GW of renewable and low-carbon hydrogen by 2030 and 25 GW by 2045
- ScotWind reflects very significant market ambition for offshore wind in Scottish waters – around 28 GW across 20 projects.
- The INTOG leasing round could also potentially add around 5.5 GW of capacity - up to 449 MW for innovation projects and 5 GW for targeted oil and gas decarbonisation.
- This means that subject to planning and consenting decisions and finding a route to market, we have a current reported potential pipeline of over 40 GW of offshore wind projects, on top of the 2.6 GW which is currently operational.

SPEAKING NOTE

Attached separately.

Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy

Speaking note:

Opening remarks at Scottish Renewables’ Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

10 January 2024, 19:06 – 19:12

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Introduction

Ladies and gentlemen.

I am delighted to be with you this evening. I trust that you had a delightful winter break filled with warmth and joy.

Thanks to our sponsor, Sarah Boyack MSP, and hosts, Scottish Renewables, and their Chief Executive, Claire Mack. As Cabinet Secretary, I see the dedication of your organisation to championing the development of a sustainable supply chain and I appreciate the contributions you make to our shared goals.

Returning to work after the holidays, I'm reminded of my fortune to serve in this role, in this remarkable country.

We find ourselves enveloped by an abundance of natural resources, from the dynamic currents of the Pentland Firth to the prevailing winds of the North Sea.

And it's the unyielding effort of our workforce that plays such a pivotal role in transforming these resources into opportunity. The diligence and industrious spirit that define those who choose to call Scotland home and contribute to its prosperity.

And it's to this dedicated workforce, that our exceptional port infrastructure stands as a testament — a finely tuned network that facilitates trade and connectivity.

But beyond the physical, our history of innovation is a testament to forward-thinking minds working across the country.

Projects like the groundbreaking 30 megawatt Hywind Scotland pilot park, the world's inaugural floating wind farm, Balmoral's HexDefence and the SPARTA project.

These are all examples of how our nation has paved the way, creating a future defined by progress, where creativity converges with expertise to propel us forward.

Simply put, ladies and gentlemen, these surroundings, these enterprises, these people... make Scotland the best place in the world to develop renewable energy.

Supply Chain

Whether you're a member of Parliament, from our industries, a representative, or an organiser, we share a determination to maximise economic opportunities from Scotland's tremendous pipeline of renewable energy projects.

I believe strong supply chains will be the backbone of this endeavour, ensuring that we capitalise on the transition to net zero. Scotland's National Strategy for Economic Transformation has echoed this belief, outlining priorities such as expanding the Supply Chain Development Programme and emphasising the use of Scottish-manufactured components.

Whether it's wind, tidal, solar, or wave —there's a substantial opportunity to cultivate thousands of high-quality Scottish jobs.

Up to £500 million investment

Last year, the First Minister announced a commitment to invest up to £500 million into the offshore wind supply chain over the next five years.

This investment isn't just about numbers; it's a strategic move to bolster private investment in the critical infrastructure and manufacturing facilities essential to grow Scotland's supply chain.

It's also aimed at ensuring that pivotal projects, such as those in ScotWind and INTOG, achieve the success they deserve.

The ripple effects of this investment should extend far beyond monetary gains; it's about fostering a highly productive and competitive economy that creates thousands of jobs, advances innovation, and boosts skills.

Strategic Investment Model (SIM)

But to achieve these goals, it is clear that our future prosperity lies in collaborative endeavours.

The Scottish Offshore Wind Energy Council's Collaborative Framework Charter, signed by twenty-four developers, aims to unite businesses and create a pipeline of supply chain opportunities.

Central to the charter is the groundbreaking Strategic Investment Model (SIM), spearheaded by industry and our enterprise agencies.

Recognised internationally for anticipating shared needs in a competitive environment, the SIM encourages joint investment into supply chain and infrastructure. As co-chair of SOWEC, Ms. Martin has witnessed this collaborative spirit firsthand.

In doing this, our goal is to identify the essential gears in our operations and channel our investments accordingly, including investment in Scottish ports, harbours, manufacturing, and fabrication, ensuring a consistent approach to putting our money where it matters most.

A sincere thank you to all partners for turning this joint effort into a tangible reality.

Energy Strategy

Our vision extends beyond investments into offshore wind supply chain alone. The Draft Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan, unveiled one year ago this month, outlines our key ambitions for a just energy transition.. With over 150 actions outlined, the plan is a comprehensive roadmap for our net zero transition.

In tandem with these efforts, the Just Transition Fund, with a commitment of £500 million over ten years, supports Scotland and its industries in their journeys towards Net Zero.

Our ambition to deploy 20 gigawatts of onshore wind by 2030 is not just a statistic - it means powering every house in Scotland for over 7 years.

These initiatives exemplify our holistic approach, showcasing not just financial investments but a strategic commitment to sustainable growth. Setting the stage for a future where innovation allows all of Scotland to

benefit from the abundant natural resources that surround us.

Conclusion

As I conclude my remarks, *which I believe means you are one speaker closer to being served dinner*, I want us to carry with us the collective spirit of determination, innovation, and collaboration that defines Scotland's journey in renewable energy. Our natural resources, coupled with the relentless efforts of our workforce and the robust infrastructure we've built, position us at the forefront of the global energy landscape.

As we leave here tonight, let's continue to nurture the creative convergence of expertise that will usher us into a new era. Together, we're building more than an energy legacy; we're creating a country dedicated to sustainable progress.

I appreciate your hospitality tonight and look forward to gaining firsthand insights into your contributions within Scotland's renewable supply chain industry.

Thank you.

Document 8a

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of** Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work & Energy
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To: Public Engagement Unit <CorrespondenceUnit@gov.scot>
Cc: Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work & Energy <CabSecWEFWE@gov.scot>
Subject: FW: Invitation to Scottish Renewables Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

For diary please.

Many thanks.

Kind regards,

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Subject: Invitation to Scottish Renewables Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

Good Afternoon

On behalf of Scottish Renewables Chief Executive Claire Mack, please see attached an invitation to the Cabinet Secretary to our Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 in The Scottish Parliament's Holyrood Room, 18:00-21:00.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

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From: [redacted]

Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2023 1:20 PM

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Subject: Invitation to Scottish Renewables Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

Dear Cabinet Secretary

Invitation to Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

As I know you agree, a thriving supply chain will be the backbone of Scotland's renewable energy ambitions. With a huge and exciting pipeline of work coming across all renewable energy technologies, the Scottish supply chain is presented with a vast opportunity for growth in the years ahead. Scottish Renewables' Supply Chain Impact Statement 2022/23 found that, of the organisations featured, 89% believe renewable energy is Scotland's biggest economic opportunity, with 94% investing in upskilling and 83% recruiting new employees as a result of these clean energy opportunities.

To celebrate the key role supply chain businesses will play in delivering our clean energy transition, Scottish Renewables are bringing together a diverse range of suppliers and developers for a Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 18:00-21:00.

We would be delighted if you, or the Minister for Energy and the Environment, were able to join us in The Scottish Parliament's Holyrood Room for an enjoyable evening of networking and themed discussions over dinner.

There would also be an opportunity to provide some remarks on behalf of The Scottish Government, alongside remarks from Scottish Renewables and our sponsor, Sarah Boyack MSP.

I would be grateful if your office could please RSVP to our [redacted], [redacted], at [redacted]@scottishrenewables.com at the earliest opportunity. In the meantime, we sincerely hope you will be able to join us and our thanks for your ongoing support to Scotland's renewable energy industry.

Yours sincerely

Claire Mack
Chief Executive

Document 8c

From: [redacted]

Sent: December 21, 2023

To: [redacted]

Subject: RE: Invitation to Scottish Renewables Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner

Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your letter of 28 November 2023, extending an invitation to the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work, and Energy, Neil Gray MSP, to deliver the opening Ministerial address at your upcoming Renewable Energy Supply Chain Parliamentary Dinner at the Scottish Parliament.

The Cabinet Secretary would be delighted to accept your invitation. Please contact us at CabSecWEFWE@gov.scot to make the necessary further arrangements.

Yours sincerely
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