CONSENTED CLYDE WIND FARM
FACTSHEET

Project Overview

• The Consented Clyde Wind Farm, currently under construction, is located between Biggar and Moffat and is divided by the M74 motorway running between Abington, Elvanfoot and Crawford in South Lanarkshire. (A map is provided overleaf).

• The project is worth over £500 Million and will direct over £200M of investment towards Scottish companies.

• Energy is expected to be generated from the Wind Farm towards the end of 2010.

Project Details

• There will be 152 turbines on site with a total generation capacity of nearly 350MW.

• When fully operational the wind farm is expected to generate enough energy to power 279,000 homes.

• The construction of the wind farm started in January 2010 and is expected to take three years.

• The project is expected to provide 200 jobs during the construction phase and 30 jobs during its operational lifetime.

Turbine Details

• The turbines to be erected on site are Siemens 2.3MW machines which will be 125 metres high

• A £10M order was placed with Welcon Towers at Machrihanish, Argyll to manufacture the turbine towers.

• The turbine components will arrive on site late July early August this year with the first turbine expected to be erected towards the end of the summer.

Progress to Date

• The construction of the Wind Farm has been split into three phases South, Central and North.

• Construction began on the South Section at the start of 2010 and good progress is being made, building out roads and putting in turbine bases.

• The other main activity within the wind farm area is tree felling of commercial forestry

Community Funds

• The Clyde Wind Farm has a community benefit fund worth more than £20 million over 25 years, the operational lifetime of the Windfarm.

• The purpose of the funds is to provide funding to local communities and projects for a range of initiatives i.e. sporting facilities, music clubs etc.

• There is a Community Fund Set up with South Lanarkshire Council (SLC) which is worth £2,000 per MW per year plus two smaller funds one to be set up in the Dumfries and Galloway area (£400 per MW per year) and one in the Borders area (£100 per MW per year)

• The Clyde Wind Farm fund set up with SLC will be split 70:30 between a community benefit fund and a fund for the development of a renewable energy supply chain and skills across the SLC area.
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