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Dear Mr Edwards

Brechfa forest West Wind Farm Application – Brechfa Forest

Thank you for your letter dated 21 December 2011 about the above application. As you may be aware, the application process for this project is now at the pre-examination stage. At this stage, anyone can register to become an interested party to take part in the examination and put their case to the IPC. Under s56(4) and (5) of the Planning Act 2008 the developer is required to announce the deadline for registering to become an interested party. The registration period for this application commenced 7th December 2011 and the deadline for registering to become an interested party is 11:59pm on Wednesday 18th January 2012.

The concerns you raised and those of your constituents should be brought to the Examining Authority's attention by registering as an interested party to make a relevant representation. You and your constituents are able to complete a registration form via the IPC website.

<http://infrastructure.independent.gov.uk/projects/wales/brechfa-forest-west-wind-farm/>

Alternatively, you or your constituents may request a hard copy of the registration form from the IPC by writing to us at the above address or by calling or emailing us via the IPC contact details above. I suggest that Mr and Mrs Harris and any constituents or others with concerns or comments about the application to register via the IPC web site or to request a hard copy of the registration form in English or Welsh.

The registration form enables you to set out the matters you have raised in your letter so that they can be fully considered through the examination process.

Once registered, people who have registered as an interested party will then be kept informed throughout the examination process and offered the opportunity to

make further submissions on examination matters, make an oral representation to the Examining Authority at an open floor hearing and suggest locations for the Examining Authority to visit during the examination period.

I hope that the enclosed information may be useful to you, in responding to any enquiries from your constituents about the pre-examination and examination process. I have also included a leaflet explaining how to register to become an interested party. These are all also available on the IPC website via the following web page address:

<http://infrastructure.independent.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/our-guidance-and-advice/>

Advice Note 8.1: provides a summary of the IPC process, explaining how and when people can have their say on a proposal.

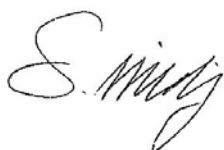
Advice Note 8.3: putting your case to the IPC – how to register and make a relevant representation

Advice Note 8.4: how an application will be examined by the IPC – the preliminary meeting

Advice Note 8.5: putting your case to the IPC – the examination process

If you require more information or would like to discuss the IPC process please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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