

***Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy***

**THE BRECHFA FOREST WIND FARM CONNECTION ORDER 2016**

**THE PLANNING ACT 2008 AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2009**

**NOTICE OF A DECISION ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT**

The Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (“the Secretary of State”) gives notice under regulation 23 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 that a determination has been made on an application by Western Power Distribution (South Wales) plc (“the Application”) for an Order granting development consent under the Planning Act 2008 (“the 2008 Act”).

The Application is to construct, operate and maintain a new 132,000 volt (132kV) electric line connection in Carmarthenshire, Wales.

The Secretary of State has decided, following consideration of the report of the Examining Authority who conducted an examination into the Application that development consent should be granted for the project, and therefore has decided to make an Order under the 2008 Act.

The statement of reasons for deciding to make an Order granting development consent prepared by the Secretary of State under section 116(1) of the 2008 Act and regulation 23(2)(d) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 is published on the Planning Inspectorate’s website: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/wales/brechfa-forest-connection/>

The statement of reasons contains the content of the decision, information regarding the right to challenge the decision and the procedures for doing so.