



For the Attention of: James Norman

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Dear Mr Norman

**CONSULTATION ON SHEPD PROPOSAL TO CONTRIBUTE TO PROPOSED TRANSMISSION LINK TO SHETLAND, WESTERN ISLES AND ORKNEY**

In response to the Consultation, the Stornoway Trust expresses its concern that Ofgem's "minded to" position, based on SHEPD's DSO recommendation, if approved, renders the Western Isles developers at risk to unfair competition from better favoured Northern Isles developments.

Having worked closely with Comhairle nan Eilean Siar in trying to foster and facilitate renewable energy generation on Lewis, the Trust, in supporting the Comhairle's plea that the case for a fairer charging mechanism be approved, wishes to align itself with that view.

Yours sincerely

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