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Dear Mr Colborn

**Request for a Screening Direction
Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations
2011 as amended
Proposal for erection of a single wind turbine 50m to hub and 77m to tip at
Land at Croft House Farm, Dovenby, Cockermouth**

I refer to your request dated 11 July 2015, made under 4(8) of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011(S.I. 2011/1824) as amended (S.I.2015/660) ("the 2011 Regulations") for the Secretary of State's screening direction on the matter of whether or not the above development is 'EIA development' within the meaning of the 2011 Regulations.

The above development falls within the description at 3(i) of Schedule 2 to the 2011 Regulations. Since the proposal exceeds the threshold in column 2 of the table in Schedule 2, the Secretary of State considers the proposal **to be 'Schedule 2 development'** within the meaning of the 2011 Regulations.

Furthermore, having taken into account the selection criteria in Schedule 3 to the 2011 Regulations, the Secretary of State considers that development **is likely to have significant effects on the environment**, see the attached written statement which gives the reasons for direction as required by 4(7) of the EIA Regulations.

Accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by regulation 4(3) of the 2011 Regulations the Secretary of State hereby directs that the proposed development described above **is 'EIA development'** within the meaning of the 2011 Regulations.

Any application for planning permission for this development must be accompanied by an Environmental Statement. Under regulation 2(1) of the 2011 Regulations, an Environmental Statement must contain, for the purpose of assessing the likely impact on the environment, the information specified in that regulation.

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I am sending a copy of this letter and written statement to Allerdale Council.

You will bear in mind that the Secretary of State's opinion on the likelihood of the development having significant environmental effects is reached only for the purposes of this direction.

Yours sincerely

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(With the authority of the Secretary of State)