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Ein Cyf / Our Ref: DNS CAS-01977-L5K6R7

- Neath Port Talbot Council
- Bridgend County Borough Council
- Cadw
- Natural Resources Wales
- The Coal Authority
- Health and Safety Executive
- Dŵr Cymru
- Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service
- Civil Aviation Authority

Dyddiad / Date: 20/03/2023

Dear Sir / Madam,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

The Developments of National Significance (Procedure) (Wales) Order 2016

Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2017

Potential DNS Application: Eirlys Solar Farm

Site Address: Agricultural Land to the south of Moel Ton-mawr and west of Mynydd Margam

Proposed Development: Solar farm and energy storage project, circa 79 MW

Planning and Environment Decisions Wales (PEDW) has received a request for a Scoping Direction in relation to the above development. The majority of the site lies within Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council planning area and part of it lies within Bridgend County Borough Council planning area. The local planning authorities have been sent a copy of that request by the applicant.

In preparing our Scoping Direction we will take into account the matters specified in regulation 13(6) and Schedule 4 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Wales) Regulations 2017 (as amended) [‘the 2017 Regulations’], in addition to Welsh Office Circular 11/99.

We are consulting your authority under regulation 33(7) of the 2017 Regulations.

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We would welcome your advice on the scope of the EIA and the proposed methodologies outlined in the Scoping Report, in relation to your authority's functions.

This advice will help to inform our Scoping Direction.

Please respond no later than Monday 24th April 2023.

The documents for this Scoping request can be viewed online via our casework portal:

<https://planningcasework.service.gov.wales/> - Search for **CAS-01977-L5K6R7**

If you have any difficulties when viewing the documents, or if you need sight of unredacted versions, please contact us.

Once the issues have been considered a scoping direction will be issued and made publicly available.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Swyddog Cynllunio | Planning Officer

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