
From: Cahoon, Gillian
Sent: 05 October 2015 10:34
To: Johnston, Timothy
Subject: NIRO Closure - Onshore Wind
Attachments: FW: Request for meeting with Jonathan Bell

Timothy

I'm contacting you as Sean Kerr is currently off on leave. I'm the Diary Secretary in DETI. Please see attached a request for a meeting with Jonathan Bell MLA from Ian Marshall, President of the Ulster Farmers' Union to discuss the 'Consultation on Closure of the NI Renewables Obligation (NIRO) to new onshore wind in 2016'.

Please see email below from Andrew McCormick. Andrew spoke to the Minister about this on Friday and has now asked me to find out from you when the Minister will be in office this week and when the best time would be to set up this meeting.

Regards

Gillian Cahoon

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From: McCormick, Andrew (DETI)
Sent: 02 October 2015 17:43
To: Mills, John (DETI)
Cc: Stewart, Chris (DETI); Rooney, Eugene; Kerr, Sean; Cahoon, Gillian; Private Office DETI; Fullerton, Karen; Clydesdale, Alison; Johnston, Wendy
Subject: NIRO Closure - Onshore Wind

As discussed, I spoke to Jonathan Bell about the possibility of him taking some meetings with concerned stakeholders next week when he is next in office, given that the consultation period is so close. It makes sense to limit access to the Minister to sectoral representative groups, with individual firms or developers steered as far as possible to meet with officials. Hence as things stand today, we would only offer UFU a meeting with the Minister, but keep open the possibility of more, should eg NIRIG seek a meeting. On timing, can Private Office please contact Timothy Johnston, who will know when the Minister will be in office and available for such meetings (I guess **possibly** on Tuesday after the Assembly business and **probably** on Wednesday afternoon). Also content for you to meet Sean Rogers MLA.

I hope this is helpful. Happy to discuss further and to keep an eye open with Private Office for further requests etc.

Many thanks.

From: Private Office DETI
Sent: 02 October 2015 10:43
To: Cahoon, Gillian; Ingram, James
Cc: Kerr, Sean
Subject: FW: Request for meeting with Jonathan Bell
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Importance: High

From: McCormick, Andrew (DETI)
Sent: 02 October 2015 10:30
To: Mills, John (DETI)
Cc: Stewart, Chris (DETI); Clydesdale, Alison; Private Office DETI; DG_DETI Press Office; Fullerton, Karen; Hill, Janice
Subject: FW: Request for meeting with Jonathan Bell
Importance: High

Again happy to meet unless the Minister is able to do so next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Many thanks.

From: Christopher Osborne [<mailto:christopher@ufuhq.com>]
Sent: 02 October 2015 08:43
To: McCormick, Andrew (DETI)
Subject: Request for meeting with Jonathan Bell
Importance: High

Good morning Andrew,

Please find attached the PDF of a letter from the UFU President to Jonathan Bell, requesting a meeting to discuss the Consultation on the Closure of the Northern Ireland Renewables Obligation (NIRO) to new onshore wind in 2016 published on 30 September.

I would be grateful if you could confirm with myself as to when this could be facilitated but we are conscious of the fact that there is a very small window open due to the 2 week consultation period.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

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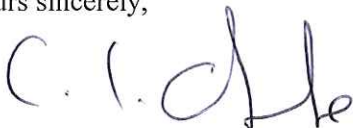
Dear Jonathan,

Consultation on Closure of the Northern Ireland Renewables Obligation (NIRO) to new onshore wind in 2016

I am writing to request an urgent meeting with you discuss the above consultation. With the deadline for submissions on 14 October 2015, it is imperative that this meeting takes place early next week (w/c 5 October). As it currently stands the implications for the small scale wind (sub 250kW) industry are dire and we would welcome the opportunity to express our views on this consultation.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



IAN MARSHALL