

Notice Under Article 10(4) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 (the Order)

for Kells BES Limited





About the Utility Regulator

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We are governed by a Board of Directors and are accountable to the Northern Ireland Assembly through financial and annual reporting obligations.

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Abstract

The purpose of this public notice is to bring the grant of a proposed licence to Kells BES Limited – to generate electricity - to the attention of persons likely to be affected by the said grant and to invite representations or objections in connection with it. The proposed licence is in respect of a battery storage facility at a site off Doagh Road, Kells BT42 3PP, full co-ordinates Doagh Road, Kells, Ballymena, BT42 3NX. (Grid Ref: E318029, N396643). Located approx. 100m South-East of the Doagh Road, Maxwell Road & Whappstown Road junction and approx. 137m northeast of the NIE Kells Substation. It is approx. 10.8km South-East of Ballymena.

Audience

Persons likely to be affected by the grant of the proposed licence referred to above.

Consumer impact

The Authority considers that the grant of the proposed licence would be an appropriate course of action for it to take given that it would be in accordance with the Authority's principal statutory objective (as set out in Article 12 of the Energy (NI) Order 2003) - to protect the interests of consumers of electricity supplied by authorised suppliers. This is done, wherever appropriate, by promoting effective competition between persons engaged in, or in commercial activities connected with, the generation, transmission, distribution or supply or electricity.

NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 10(4) OF THE ELECTRICITY (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1992 (THE "ORDER")

Pursuant to Article 10(4) of the Order, the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation (the "**Authority**"), hereby gives notice as follows:

- 1 The Authority proposes, in accordance with Article 10 (1) of the Order, to grant a licence to generate electricity to Kells BES Limited (NI656356) a limited company having its registered office at The Soloist, 1 Lanyon Place, Belfast. BT1 3LP (the "**Proposed Licensee**").
- 2 The Authority considers that the grant of the proposed licence would be an appropriate course of action for it to take as such grant is in keeping with the Authority's principal statutory objective in that it protects the interests of consumers of electricity supplied by authorised suppliers, wherever appropriate by promoting effective competition between persons engaged in, or in commercial activities connected with, the generation, transmission, distribution or supply of electricity.
- 3 The Authority further considers that the application made by the Proposed Licensee has been made in the prescribed manner and that the appropriate fee has been submitted.
- 4 The purpose of this public notice is to bring the grant of the proposed licence referred to above to the attention of persons likely to be affected by such grant and to invite representations or objections in connection with it. Any representations or objections may be made on or before 08 May 2022 by post or email using the contact details below
- 5 A copy of the proposed licence can be obtained in electronic form or in hard copy form from the Authority using the contact details below:

Contact Details:

Electricity Generation Licensing Wholesale Markets Directorate The Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation Queens House 14 Queen Street Belfast BT1 6ED Tel: 028 9031 1575 Email: <u>ElecGenLicensing@uregni.gov.uk</u> Web: <u>www.uregni.gov.uk</u>

Dated this 07 April 2022

John French

For and on behalf of the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation