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Dear Sirs

#### **INNER SOUND TIDAL ARRAY SOCIO ECONOMIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

I refer to the correspondence, dated June 2011, reference the Inner Sound Tidal Array, Environmental Impact Assessment: Socio Economic, Tourism and Recreation Impact Assessment Method Statement.

The Dounreay Stakeholder Group is an independent body, with representation from over 20 organisations including development agencies, community groups, community councils, etc.

We note that you will be carrying out a number of surveys and suggest the following:

- The DSG, via its secretariat, holds a substantial contact lists and if you require information on potential key consultees and local stakeholders we would be happy to provide you with appropriate contacts.
- For the business survey, we suggest that you contact the Caithness Chamber of Commerce who have contacts for the business supply chain and would be able to provide you with the appropriate information of the capabilities and capacity of the business community.
- For the socio economic impacts you may wish to consider contact the Caithness & North Sutherland Regeneration Partnership's Programme Manager. A socio economic study, to update a baseline study carried out in 2006, is currently underway and is due to be published mid August. Added to this the Programme Manager can also link you with tourism and recreational groups.

- You may also wish to contact the Caithness Transport Forum who considers the priorities for all transport issues for the Caithness area. This may be useful in assessing the capacity of the infrastructure.

We do hope that you find this information useful. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

*Sent electronically without signature*

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