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GLOSSARY AND ABBREVIATIONS

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| 132 kV | 132 kilovolt (132,000 volt) operating voltage electrical circuit |
| The 1989 Act | The Electricity Act 1989 |
| AA | Appropriate Assessment |
| AADT | Annual Average Daily Traffic |
| ACoW | Archaeological Clerk of Works |
| AIL | Abnormal Indivisible Load |
| AM | Amplitude Modulation (medium and long wave radio signals) |
| AOD | Above Ordnance Datum |
| ATC | Automatic Traffic Counter |
| AWI | Ancient Woodland Inventory |
| BAP | Biodiversity Action Plan |
| BGL | Below Ground Level |
| BGS | British Geological Survey |
| BNG | Biodiversity Net Gain |
| BoCC | Birds of Conservation Concern |
| BPP | Bird Protection Plan |
| BTO | British Trust for Ornithology |
| CAR | Controlled Activities Regulations |
| CasPlan | Caithness and Sutherland Local Development Plan |
| CDM | Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015 |
| CEMP | Construction Environmental Management Plan |
| CIEEM | Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management |
| CIRIA | Construction Industry Research and Information Association |
| CifA | Chartered Institute for Archaeologists |
| CMLI | Chartered Members of the Landscape Institute |
| CP | Core Path |
| CRM | Collision Risk Modelling |
| CSE | Cable Sealing End |
| CTMP | Construction Traffic Management Plan |
| DEFRA | Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs |
| DfT | Department for Transport |
| DMRB | Design Manual for Roads and Bridges |
| DTM | Digital Terrain Model |

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| DTS | Distributed Temperature Sensing |
| DWPA | Drinking Water Protection Area |
| EC | European Commission |
| EclA | Ecological Impact Assessment |
| ECoW | Ecological Clerk of Works |
| EnvCoW | Environmental Clerk of Works |
| ECU | Energy Consents Unit |
| EIA | Environmental Impact Assessment |
| EMF | Electric and Magnetic Fields |
| EMI | Electromagnetic Interference |
| EPZ | Equi-Potential Zones |
| ERLOB | European Red List of Bird Species |
| ESQCR | Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations |
| EU | European Union |
| FGS | Forestry Grant Scheme |
| FWPM | Fresh Water Pearl Mussel |
| GBRs | General Binding Rules |
| GEMPs | General Environmental Management Plans |
| GI | Ground Investigation |
| GIS | Geographic Information System |
| GPP | Guidance for Pollution Prevention |
| GLVIA3 | Guidelines for Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment 3rd Edition |
| GWP | Global Warming Potential |
| GWDTE | Groundwater Dependent Terrestrial Ecosystems |
| Ha | Hectare. An area measuring 10,000 square metres |
| HabMos | Habitat Map of Scotland |
| HBRG | Highland Biological Recording Group |
| HDD | Horizontal Directional Drilling |
| HER | Historic Environment Record |
| HES | Historic Environment Scotland |
| HGV | Heavy Goods Vehicle |
| HMP | Habitat Management Plan |
| HPA | Health Protection Agency |
| HRA | Habitats Regulations Appraisal |
| HRSR | Highland Raptor Study Group |

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| HwLDP | Highland-wide Local Development Plan |
| ICNIRP | International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection |
| IEFs | Important Ecological Features |
| IEMA | Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment |
| IOF | Important Ornithological Feature |
| ICNIRP | International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection |
| IROPI | Imperative reasons of overriding public interest |
| JNCC | Joint Nature Conservation Committee |
| kV | Kilovolt |
| LB | Listed Building |
| LBAP | Local Biodiversity Action Plan |
| LCT | Landscape Character Type |
| LGV | Light Goods Vehicles |
| LI | Landscape Institute |
| LoD | Limit of Deviation |
| LSE | Likely Significant Effect |
| LVIA | Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment |
| MAFF | Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food |
| MD – SEDD | Marine Directorate – Science Evidence Data and Digital |
| mph | miles per hour |
| MW | Megawatt |
| NBN | National Biodiversity Network |
| NCN | National Cycle Network |
| NGR | National Grid Reference |
| NHZ | National Heritage Zone |
| NNR | National Nature Reserve |
| NPF4 | Fourth National Planning Framework |
| NRTF | National Road Traffic Forecast |
| NS | NatureScot |
| NVC | National Vegetation Classification |
| NWSS | Native Woodland Survey of Scotland |
| OAMP | Outdoor Access Management Plan |
| OC | Operational Corridor |
| OHL | Overhead Line. An electric line installed above ground, usually supported by lattice steel towers or wooden poles. |

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| OHMP | Outline Habitat Management Plan |
| OIA | Ornithological Impact Assessment |
| OPGW | Optical Ground Wire |
| OS | Ordnance Survey |
| PAN | Planning Advice Notice |
| PCA | Peat Condition Assessment |
| PLHRA | Peat Landslide Hazard Risk Assessment |
| PMP | Peat Management Plan |
| PPG | Pollution Prevention Guidance Notes |
| Principal Contractor | The Contractor with control over the construction phase of the project |
| Principal Designer | A Principal Designer is appointed by the Applicant to take the lead in the pre-construction phase of a project and oversees health and safety. |
| Proposed Development | The Proposed Development is taken to be the description of: the OHL, cable sealing end compound, access arrangements and any associated construction activities and land-use requirements. |
| PWS | Private Water Supply |
| RFI | Radio Frequency Interference |
| RSA | Road Safety Audits |
| RSPB | Royal Society for the Protection of Birds |
| SAC | Special Area of Conservation – designated under Directive 92/42/EEC on the Conservation of Natural Habitats and of Wild Fauna and Flora (known as – The Habitats Directive) |
| SBBS | Scare Breeding Bird Survey |
| SBL | Scottish Biodiversity List |
| SCM | Site Condition Monitoring |
| Section 37 | An application for development consent under Section 37 of the Electricity Act 1989 |
| SEPA | Scottish Environment Protection Agency |
| SF | Scottish Forestry |
| SFGS | Scottish Forestry Grant Scheme |
| SHRA | Shadow Habitats Regulations Appraisal |
| SHT | Scottish Hill Track |
| SLA | Special Landscape Area |
| SLQ | Special Landscape Qualities |
| SM | Scheduled Monument |
| SNH | Scottish National Heritage |
| SPA | Special Protection Area – designated under Directive 2009/147/EC on the Conservation of Wild Birds (the Birds Directive) |

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| SPP | Scottish Planning Policy |
| SPP | Species Protection Plans |
| SSEN Transmission | Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks Transmission, operating under licence as Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc – part of Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks, and the transmission licence holder for the transmission of electricity in the north of Scotland |
| SSSI | Site of Special Scientific Interest – designated by SNH under the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 |
| SuD | Sustainable Drainage System |
| T5 DTM | Terrain 5 Digital Terrain Model |
| TA | Transport Assessment |
| TBT | Toolbox Talks |
| THC | The Highland Council |
| TS | Transport Scotland |
| UGC | Underground Cable. An electric line installed below ground. |
| UKBAP | United Kingdom Biodiversity Action Plan |
| UNESCO | United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation |
| VL | Visualisation Location |
| WANE | Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011 |
| WCA | Wildlife and Countryside Act (1981) (as amended) |
| WEWS | Water Environment and Water Services |
| WFD | Water Framework Directive |
| WHS | World Heritage Site |
| WLA | Wind Land Area |
| ZTV | Zone of Theoretical Visibility – the computer-generated theoretical visibility of an object in the landscape |