Preface

This Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report accompanies an application (the Application) made by Coire Glas Hydro Pumped Storage Limited (the Applicant), a wholly owned subsidiary of SSE plc, to the Scottish Ministers for consent under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989, and deemed planning permission under the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, section 57 (2), to construct and operate Coire Glas Pumped Storage Scheme (up to 1500MW), approximately 19 km to the south west of Fort Augustus in The Highlands of Scotland.

The EIA Report comprises four volumes:

Volume 1: Non-Technical Summary;

• Volume 2: Written Statement;

Volume 3: Figures; and

• Volume 4: Technical Appendices.

A Planning Statement has also been submitted with the Application.

The EIA Report documents (Non-Technical Summary (NTS), Written Statement, Figures and Technical Appendices) are available for viewing at the following locations:

The Highland Council	Fort Augustus Service Point
Department of Planning & Development	Memorial Hall
Glenurquhart Road	Fort Augustus
Inverness	PH32 4DJ
IV3 5NX	(open from 9.30am to 1pm Monday to
(open during normal office hours)	Friday)

The EIA Report will also be available for purchase, at £250 for a paper copy and £10 for an electronic version on CD, from:

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Paper copies of the NTS are available free of charge, or an electronic version is available online at http://sse.com/whatwedo/ourprojectsandassets/renewables/coireglas

The Application and EIA Report has been advertised in the following newspapers:

- Edinburgh Gazette;
- The Herald; and
- Inverness Courier.