

30 April 2025

Dear

ATISN 24610 – Llynfi Clean Energy Project

Information requested

Thank you for your request which I received on 31 April 2025. You asked for: Clarity on why Last Energy are not submitting their design for consideration using the Generic Design Assessment.

Our response

The Generic Design Assessment (GDA) process is a voluntary process. Last Energy have chosen to initially engage with Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR) via their Early Regulatory Engagement Process, link here:

[Early regulatory engagement on new nuclear projects | Office for Nuclear Regulation](#)

This process also engages Natural Resources Wales for environmental permitting, and Planning and Environment Decisions Wales (PEDW) on planning permissions.

There are several phases to the Early Regulatory Engagement process, then the applicant will need to seek a Site Licence for their development.

The process chosen in this instance will oblige the applicant to still follow the UK regulatory regime, and you may be assured that regime links into the appropriate Environmental and Planning regimes.

Next steps

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,
CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House,

Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely