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**The Town and Country Planning (Environmental
Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017**

PART 2

**DETERMINING WHETHER ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT ASSESSMENT IS REQUIRED**

Requests for screening opinion of the planning authority

- 8.**—(1) A developer may request the planning authority to adopt a screening opinion.
- (2) A request for a screening opinion under paragraph (1) must be accompanied by—
- (a) a description of the location of the development, including a plan sufficient to identify the land;
 - (b) a description of the proposed development, including in particular—
 - (i) a description of the physical characteristics of the proposed development and, where relevant, of demolition works;
 - (ii) a description of the location of the proposed development, with particular regard to the environmental sensitivity of geographical areas likely to be affected;
 - (c) a description of the aspects of the environment likely to be significantly affected by the proposed development; and
 - (d) a description of any likely significant effects, to the extent of the information available on such effects, of the proposed development on the environment resulting from—
 - (i) the expected residues and emissions and the production of waste, where relevant;
 - (ii) the use of natural resources, in particular soil, land, water and biodiversity.
- (3) A request for a screening opinion may, in addition to the information required in accordance with paragraph (2), also be accompanied by a description of any features of the proposed development, or proposed measures, envisaged to avoid or prevent significant adverse effects on the environment.
- (4) The information referred to in paragraph (2) is to be compiled taking into account, where relevant—
- (a) the selection criteria set out in schedule 3; and
 - (b) the available results of any relevant assessment.