

SCOTTISH POWER PLC  
Form 6-K  
April 27, 2006

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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## FORM 6-K

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**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the month of April**

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## SCOTTISH POWER PLC

(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

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**CORPORATE OFFICE, 1 ATLANTIC QUAY, GLASGOW, G2 8SP**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  X

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#### I. Notification by Scottish Power plc, dated April 27, 2006, of Windfarm Approval

##### **SCOTTISHPOWER RECEIVES APPROVAL FOR EUROPE'S LARGEST WINDFARM**

ScottishPower was today granted final planning approval to construct Europe's largest on-shore windfarm, the 322MW Whitelee project south of Glasgow. The 140 turbine project would provide enough green energy to power 200,000 homes.

ScottishPower's Chief Executive, Philip Bowman, said "This project is of national importance and would make a significant contribution towards Scotland's renewable energy target for 2010. Subject to Board approval Whitelee would be our second large scale windfarm in Scotland's Central Belt and another excellent example of how large projects can be developed close to population centres, existing electricity grid and road infrastructure.

"The successful development of Whitelee highlights the importance of clarity and consistency from the Government in the operation of its Renewables Obligation (RO). It is vital that the integrity of the RO policy and its implementation remains intact, otherwise investment confidence will be damaged and the UK's renewables' target threatened."

ScottishPower is already the largest generator of wind power in the UK with 288 MW operational and 75 MW currently under construction. Including Whitelee, ScottishPower has had a further four projects totalling over 400MW approved for construction over the past few months.

##### Further Information:

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

/s/ Scottish Power plc

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(Registrant)

Date: April 27, 2006

By: /s/ Donald McPherson

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Donald McPherson  
Deputy Company Secretary