

END OF WARRANTY INSPECTION

The two-year warranties covering turbine, electrical and civil engineering components were soon to expire on an eight turbine wind farm in Scotland. The wind farm had been constructed by a third party before RES was appointed as Asset Manager. RES worked, on behalf of the owner, to identify defects before the warranties expired to ensure that any early defects to the site were remedied at the cost of the supplier, not the owner.

The end of warranty review included:

- » Scoping a comprehensive end of warranty package specific to the site
- » Issuing tenders and appointing contractors
- » Co-ordinating inspections and reviewing findings
- » Interpreting severity of defects and issuing notices of defects
- » Pursuing claims on the client's behalf

Surveys of underground pipework revealed serious site drainage issues, including damage and blockages. Some planned drainage had not been installed at all, leading to insufficient run-off, causing premature deterioration of the access tracks.

RES is working to protect the client's interests.

We handled all negotiations with the original contractor, ensuring these defects were rectified under the terms of the warranty. It became clear that some work required more time, so RES negotiated an extension of the warranty terms to cover the anticipated £125,000 expense to protect the client's interests. RES has ensured negotiations with the local planning authority are in place to comply with the original environmental planning requirements.

To resolve the site issues, we effectively negotiated with a number of stakeholders on the owner's behalf, drawing on our experience of dealing with the supply chain at all phases, from development, through construction to operations. The client now has complete confidence that they can rely on RES to act in their interest to avert non-compliance issues with the local planning authority.

End of Warranty inspections identify issues before they are severe and costs escalate.



Blocked drainage on-site

Modern survey techniques identified issues that are not visible on the surface.



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