



Investigative Foreshore Licence Application (Offshore Renewable Energy)

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Part 1: Proposal Details (Attach additional documents as required)

1.1	<p>Provide background information on the project including reason and objectives of the site investigations, the site selection process and any proposals for future works at the site.</p> <p>RWE Renewables Ireland Limited (RWE) are applying for authorisation to undertake a geotechnical and geophysical site investigation for the proposed Dublin Array offshore wind farm development, in addition to ecological and wind, wave and current monitoring. The objectives of the site investigations are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To provide an understanding of ground conditions to refine the foundation design, sizing and installation methodology and to finalise cable route and landfall design and installation methodology• To authorise ecological monitoring which may be required prior to any construction of the wind farm commencing in accordance with Guidance on Marine Baseline Ecological Assessments & Monitoring Activities for Offshore Renewable Energy Projects, DCCAE, 2018.• To provide a longer term data set of wind, wave and current measurement to optimise the wind farm design. <p>The Foreshore Licence application is solely for the purposes of completing these site</p>
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investigation and monitoring activities.

The Dublin Array project was initially developed by Saorgus Energy Ltd a privately-owned Irish company specialising in the development of large wind energy sites in Ireland. In March 2018 innogy Renewables Ireland Ltd entered into a 50:50 partnership with Saorgus Energy to take the project forward. In July 2020 the global renewable energy portfolios of E.ON and innogy combined to form RWE Renewables.

In August 2000 Foreshore Licences were issued to the Kish Consortium for site investigations on the Kish and Bray banks respectively. The licenced works included:

- Drilling and sampling of seabed sediments;
- Geophysical measurements;
- Deployment of wave, tide current and silt load measurement equipment.

In January 2006, Kish Offshore Wind Limited and Bray Offshore Wind Limited submitted two Foreshore Lease applications (FS006462 and FS00643) to the Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources, pursuant to Section 2 of the Foreshore Act 1933, as amended, for proposed wind farm development in the vicinity of the Kish and Bray Banks.

In September 2019 innogy (now RWE) submitted a Foreshore Licence application (FS007029) for permission to conduct site investigations, including geophysical survey, associated seabed sampling and deployment of buoy mounted metocean equipment. The scope of the works under FS007029 included:

- Geophysical survey, including Multibeam Echosounder; Side Scan Sonar; Shallow Reflection Seismic (Sub-bottom Profiling); and Marine Magnetometer;
- 48 sub-tidal vibrocores;
- 15 cone penetration tests (CPT) in intertidal areas;
- 3 boreholes on the shorelines;
- Drop down video and grab sampling (benthic) at up to 30 sampling locations;
- Up to two buoy mounted Floating Lidar (FLiDaR) Units and up to two metocean buoys incorporating wave and current measurement devices.

RWE completed a successful geophysical and benthic survey campaign between February and May 2021. Two metocean buoys and a FLiDaR have been deployed in accordance with a Statutory Sanction as received from the Commissioners of Irish Lights and an Automatic Identification System Licence issued by the Commission for Communications Regulation. This metocean and wind survey campaign is authorised for a period up to August 2023 (two years post successful calibration).

1.2	<p>Possible MW output of final development:</p> <p>Circa 600 MW to 900 MW (subject to technical and environmental assessments).</p>
1.3	<p>Type of surveys proposed (e.g. geophysical, geotechnical, archaeological or benthic).</p> <p>Geotechnical survey</p> <p>Up to 61 geotechnical boreholes to an approximate depth of 80m below seafloor and an outside diameter of up to 254 mm .</p> <p>Up to 61 Deep push seafloor Cone Penetration Tests (CPT) to an approximate depth of 80m below seafloor with a diameter of approximately 40mm..</p> <p>Up to 31 Seafloor CPTs with a diameter of approximately 40mm and 48 vibrocores with a diameter of approximately 150 mm diameter. The target depth of each technique will be approximately 6 m below seafloor. Up to five of each type may be located within the intertidal area.</p> <p>Up to 12 nearshore geotechnical boreholes with wireline logging and Rotary Cored Drilling, approximately 100 mm diameter to target depth of 45 m below seafloor (4 at each landfall option).</p> <p>Geophysical survey</p> <p>Refraction survey in nearshore & intertidal</p> <p>2D UHR & geophysical survey including Bathymetric Survey, Side Scan Sonar, Shallow Reflection Seismic (Sub-bottom Profiling) and Marine Magnetometer</p> <p>Geophysical survey including Bathymetric Survey, Side Scan Sonar, Shallow Reflection Seismic (Sub-bottom Profiling) and Marine Magnetometer;</p> <p>Wind, wave and current measurement</p> <p>Up to two buoy mounted Floating Lidar (FLiDaR) Units and up to two buoys incorporating wave and current measurement devices.</p> <p>Ecological monitoring</p> <p>Up to 10 static acoustic monitoring devices (SAM)</p> <p>Up to 3 annual subtidal benthic ecology surveys comprising drop down video, grab sampling and epibenthic trawls</p>

	Up to 3 annual potting survey and 12 seasonal trawl surveys (4 per year for up to 3 years)
	Up to 3 annual benthic ecology survey
1.4	<p>Survey methodologies and equipment to be used for each survey type proposed:</p> <p>Contracts for the site investigation, ecological and wind, wave and current monitoring have not yet been awarded. Details of survey and deployment/maintenance and recovery methodologies and typical equipment representative of what is expected to be used have been provided in Section 2 of the Supporting Information Report which is submitted with this application.</p>
1.5	<p>Describe the nature and scale of any structure to be erected on the foreshore for testing the suitability of the site. Is the structure proposed to be temporary or permanent?</p> <p>Up to four buoys will be moored in the Foreshore area for a period of up to five years and will carry FLiDAR units and wave and current measurement devices. Prior to being moved to their long-term deployment location the FLiDAR units will be temporarily deployed for a period of up to six months for calibration purposes. Indicative deployment and calibration locations are shown on Site Investigation and Monitoring Drawing 6, Annex B to the Supporting Information Report. Further details of the buoys and equipment are provided in Section 2.3 of the Supporting Information Report.</p> <p>Up to 10 SAM devices may be deployed as part of a monitoring programme to detect porpoises, dolphins and other toothed whales and may remain in position for up to five years. Further details of the equipment and moorings are provided in Section 2.4 of the Supporting Information Report. Indicative locations are provided in Site Investigation and Monitoring Drawing 5, Annex B to the Supporting Information Report.</p> <p>Geotechnical survey techniques require survey rigs to be deployed on the seabed for the duration of each sampling event. The boreholes within the array area will have the longest duration of up to 48 hours per location. More details of the geotechnical survey techniques and equipment are provided in Section 2.1 of the Supporting Information Report. . Indicative locations are provided in Site Investigation and Monitoring Drawings 2, 3 and 4, Annex B to the Supporting Information Report.</p>
1.6	<p>Provide information on proposed mooring, marking and lighting arrangements for any proposed deployment of instrument arrays.</p> <p>Details of typical mooring arrangements for the proposed mooring buoys are provided in Section 2.3 of the Supporting Information Report. Marking, lighting and other navigational</p>

	<p>safety requirements will be in accordance with the requirements of the Commissioners for Irish Lights and Department of Transport, Marine Survey Office prior to deployment and will be compliant with International Association of Aids to Navigation (IALA) requirements.</p> <p>Navigational safety features will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit colour – RAL 1023 Yellow; • Radar reflector; • Marine lantern; • Redundant GPS Location; • Drift alarm; and • Automated Identification System (AIS)
<p>1.7</p>	<p>Has the applicant held or does the applicant hold any previous Foreshore Licences, Leases or applications over the area sought or over any other area? (Give details including Department’s file reference number(s)).</p> <p>In September 2019 innogy (now RWE) submitted a Foreshore Licence application (FS007029) for permission to conduct site investigations, including geophysical survey, associated seabed sampling and deployment of buoy mounted metocean equipment. The scope of the works under FS007029 included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geophysical survey, including Multibeam Echosounder; Side Scan Sonar; Shallow Reflection Seismic (Sub-bottom Profiling); and Marine Magnetometer; • 48 sub-tidal vibrocores; • 15 cone penetration tests (CPT) in intertidal areas; • 3 boreholes on the shorelines; • Drop down video and grab sampling (benthic) at up to 30 sampling locations; • Up to two buoy mounted Floating Lidar (FLiDaR) Units and up to two metocean buoys incorporating wave and current measurement devices. <p>RWE Renewables Ireland Limited are the development lead for two Foreshore Lease Applications which are located wholly within the proposed survey area. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bray Offshore Wind Ltd, application to occupy the Bray Bank for the purpose of constructing an offshore wind farm (FS006463), and • Kish Offshore Wind Ltd, application to occupy the Kish Bank for the purpose of constructing an offshore wind farm (FS006462) <p>As part of the technical assessments completed to inform the original design and Foreshore</p>

	<p>Lease applications, the Kish Consortium were awarded Foreshore Licences in August 2000, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geophysical and geotechnical investigations on the Bray Bank (KIS53_7A) • Geophysical and geotechnical investigations on the Kish Bank (KIS53_7)
<p>1.8</p>	<p>Indicative timing of the investigation works: (i) Start date (ii) Duration (iii) Any other information relevant to timing.</p> <p>It is currently anticipated that the initial surveys and site investigation works will commence during Summer 2022, however this is dependent upon date of Licence award and availability of contractors and equipment. The duration of the licence sought is up to 5 years to allow for delays and to enable surveys and that may be required in the pre-construction phase of the wind farm project to be completed at the appropriate time.</p> <p>Estimated durations of the survey works are provided below however the work is weather dependent and may also be extended if unforeseen ground conditions are discovered. There may be pauses between different elements of the work resulting in a longer overall duration from commencement to completion.</p> <p>Geotechnical and geophysical survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offshore geotechnical survey - approximately 2 – 3 months; • Nearshore geotechnical survey – approximately 2 months; • Offshore geophysical survey - approximately 2 – 3 months; • Intertidal refraction survey - approximately 2 – 3 weeks. <p>Wind wave and current monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind measurement – temporary validation deployment 6 - 8 weeks, long term deployment between 12 – 24 months; • Wave and current measurement – 12 – 24 months. <p>Ecological monitoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAM deployment will take approximately 2 weeks, the equipment will remain on site for the duration of the Foreshore Licence, to provide a long term data set of pre-construction monitoring of marine mammals; • Fish and shellfish surveys - approximately 1 – 2 weeks/year for up to 3 years; • Subtidal benthic ecology survey - approximately 1 – 2 months/year for up to 3 years; • Intertidal benthic ecology survey -approximately 1 – 2 weeks/year for up to 3 years

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Describe any likely interactions with activities of the public or other foreshore users during the investigative works (e.g. fishing, aquaculture, sailing, and surfing). Describe any measures proposed to minimise inconvenience to other users.

The area of foreshore within which the works are proposed is used by commercial shipping operators, fishing industry, targeting mainly shellfish species, and a range of recreational users, including a number of Yacht Clubs located in Dun Laoghaire and Poolbeg Marina. Other marine leisure clubs and groups active in the area include rowing clubs, sea scouts groups, sea angling, swimming, kayaking, diving and sub aqua clubs. The beach areas are also used for recreational activities. Liaison will be established with the operators of relevant ports, marinas and yacht clubs in advance of the survey.

The design of the survey scopes will aim to minimise and avoid where possible inconvenience with other users of the foreshore area through design and adoption of best practice.

The majority of marine traffic passes to the north of the Kish Bank. There are regular movements of bulk cargo vessels within the proposed survey area inshore of the banks. The final geotechnical, static acoustic monitoring and benthic sampling locations within Dublin Port's jurisdiction will also be agreed with the Port Authority. Prior to the survey commencing discussions will be held with the Harbour Master at Dublin Port to agree the timing of works in the vicinity of the Traffic Separation Scheme and to agree a communication protocol and any restrictions on number of survey vessels operating at any one time within the Port's jurisdiction.

Fishing and recreational vessels are also active in the area. RWE will consult with the local static fishing gear community as part of the planning and delivery of any survey authorised. A Fisheries Liaison Officer has been in place for the project since May 2019 and will continue to be available to the fishing community to ensure effective communications during the planning and execution of the proposed surveys. Where temporary removal of static fishing gear is necessary, agreements will be sought with relevant local fishers to minimise disruption.

The following measures will also be implemented:

- Publication of Notices to Mariners;
- Restriction of survey vessel speed;
- Survey vessels will display internationally recognised warning signals;
- Survey vessels will comply with all international Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea.

For safety and security public access to areas of the beach will be restricted during works in the intertidal area at each of the landfalls. Appropriate barriers and signage will be in place to inform the public of the activities and restrictions. The duration of access restrictions will be minimised. The beach will be left in pre-survey condition after each activity.

	Further details regarding proposed measures to minimise interactions with other users are provided in Section 7 of the Supporting Information Report.
1.10	<p>Describe any consultations undertaken to date with other foreshore users.</p> <p>15th and 16th September 2021 - Briefing meetings at harbours in Dun Laoghaire and Wicklow with fishers on proposed survey scope and foreshore licence application.</p>
1.11	<p>Describe any consultations undertaken to date with other consent authorities e.g. planning authority, Commission for Energy Regulation etc.</p> <p>At this stage no consultation has been undertaken with other consenting authorities specifically in relation to the scope of this Foreshore Licence application.</p>
1.12	<p>Describe briefly any consultations undertaken with relevant authorities (e.g. county council, port/harbour authority etc) or State Agencies e.g. National Parks & Wildlife Service (NPWS), National Monuments Service (NMS) of Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage:</p> <p>06 and 09 July 2021 – correspondence with NPWS regarding proposed survey scope and ecological mitigation measures.</p> <p>09 July 2021 and 29 Sept 2021 – correspondence with Dublin Port regarding scope of works and proposed navigation mitigation measures.</p>
1.13	<p>Describe briefly any support received or under application with the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) or other State Agency:</p> <p>Not applicable.</p>

Part 2: Proposed Site. (Attach additional documents as required)

<p>2.1</p>	<p>Delineate the proposed site in red on a latest edition map at a scale of 1:10 000 or larger scale if more appropriate and available, indicating:</p> <p>(i) the entire area;</p> <p>(ii) the hectarage involved below the line of high water of medium tides clearly marked in RED and</p> <p>(iii) the area of foreshore involved in metric measurements (i.e. hectares, metres squared or square kilometres etc).</p> <p>FS007188 Foreshore Licence Area Map is presented in Annex B of the Supporting Information Report.</p>
<p>2.2</p>	<p>Geographic co-ordinates of the area under application, where the area can also be identified on the Ordnance Survey map, specify Ordnance Survey co-ordinates also.</p> <p>A list of co-ordinates are provided in Annex A of the Supplementary Information Report.</p>
<p>2.3</p>	<p>Delineate proposed site on relevant Admiralty Chart.</p> <p>FS007188 Foreshore Licence Area Map is presented in Annex B of the Supporting Information Report.</p>
<p>2.4</p>	<p>Relevant Local Authority:</p> <p>Dublin City Council, Fingal County Council. Dun Laoghaire and Rathdown County Council and Wicklow County Council.</p>
<p>2.5</p>	<p>Location name and nearest townland name:</p> <p>The proposed survey area touches the coast within the townlands of Killiskey, Newcastle Lower, Kilcoole, Delgany, Bray, Cork Great, Cork Little, Shanganagh, Hackettland, Killiney, Scalpwilliam, Dalkey Commons, Bullock, Glasthule, Irishtown, Sandymount, Poolbeg peninsula and Howth.</p>

<p>2.6</p>	<p>Distance from nearest other developments, including any offshore renewable energy developments on the foreshore:</p> <p>The proposed Foreshore Licence boundary includes the entirety of the Foreshore Lease application areas associated with;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bray Offshore Wind Ltd, application to occupy the Bray Bank for the purpose of constructing an offshore wind farm (FS006463) • Kish Offshore Wind Ltd, application to occupy the Kish Bank for the purpose of constructing an offshore wind farm (FS006462) • Foreshore Lease application at Codling Banks, County Wicklow for the purpose of constructing an offshore wind farm (FS006460) and • Foreshore Licence to occupy the Codling Banks, County Wicklow FS006241. <p>The proposed Foreshore Licence boundary is located approximately 14 km from the proposed survey area associated with the Foreshore Licence FS006973 at Braymore Point.</p> <p>Dublin Port Company Maintenance Dredge Campaigns (FS007132) is located approximately 300m from the proposed Foreshore Licence boundary.</p> <p>The Foreshore Licence area also overlaps with Irish Water Ringsend Waste Water Treatment (WWT) and Greater Dublin Bay Drainage projects.</p>
<p>2.7</p>	<p>Distance from shore:</p> <p>The proposed Foreshore Licence area meets the shore as shown in FS007188 Foreshore Licence Area Map, Annex B of the Supporting Information Report.</p>
<p>2.8</p>	<p>Distance from nearest aquaculture operation:</p> <p>A Foreshore and Aquaculture Licence has been awarded for the establishment of a mussel seed farm between Clogga Bay and Kilmichael Point, off the coast of Co. Wicklow approximately 35km south of the Foreshore Licence boundary. There are also designated aquaculture zones are at Carlingford Lough, approximately 68km north of the Foreshore Licence boundary and Wexford Harbour approximately 85 km to the south.</p>
<p>2.9</p>	<p>Distance from any other sensitive location e.g. fish spawning ground, designated Shellfish Growing Waters,</p> <p>The proposed licence area lies within spawning and nursery grounds of whiting, haddock and cod. The area also lies within the extensive nursery grounds for mackerel and horse mackerel which includes the entire Irish Sea and a large area of the Celtic Sea.</p>

2.10	<p>Any other site details considered relevant:</p> <p>An archaeological assessment undertaken to inform this Foreshore Licence application has identified 24 known wrecks, i.e. which have been correlated to known losses, in addition to 120 unknown wrecks. A further five uncharted wrecks have been identified from recent geophysical surveys within the Foreshore Licence area. A submerged forest is known to extend from Bray Harbour northwards to Shanganagh Park. Further details of these features and mitigation measures proposed are presented in Annex D of the Supporting Information Report.</p>
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Part 3: Nature Conservation Considerations (Attach additional documents as required)

3.1	<p>Distance from nearest Natura 2000 sites (i.e. Special Protection Area (SPA) or Special Area of Conservation (SAC):</p> <p>Part of the proposed survey area lies within the following Natura 2000 sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howth Head Coast SPA [004113] • South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA [004024] • North Bull Island SPA [004006] • Dalkey Islands SPA [004172] • The Murrrough SPA [004186] • Howth Head SAC [000202] • South Dublin Bay SAC [000210] • North Dublin Bay SAC [000206] • Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC [003000] • Bray Head SAC [000714] • The Murrrough Wetlands SAC [002249] <p>More information is provided in Annex E – Report to inform Appropriate Assessment Screening and Annex F – Applicant’s Natura Impact Statement of the Supporting Information Report.</p>
3.2	<p>Name and location of Natura 2000 sites in or around the project area:</p> <p>Please refer to Table 10 and 11, Annex E - Report to inform Appropriate Assessment Screening of the Supporting Information Report for a full list of Natura 2000 sites which were identified for screening purposes.</p>

3.3	<p>Describe potential impacts of the site investigations on Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p>A report to Inform Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening is provided, Annex E of Supporting Information Report. The applicant has also prepared a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) Annex F of Supporting Information Report to support the competent authority, the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, to undertake an Appropriate Assessment (AA). Based on the applicant's assessment of the proposed works alone and in-combination with other projects and plans, it is concluded that no adverse effects on the integrity of the European sites will arise.</p>
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<p>3.4</p>	<p>Describe any measures proposed to mitigate possible impacts on Natura 2000 sites and other key marine receptors.</p> <p>See the Applicant’s NIS, Annex F of the Supporting Information Report which contains a full description of mitigation commitments.</p> <p>The geophysical and geotechnical surveys will be undertaken in accordance with the ‘Guidance to Manage the Risk to Marine Mammals from Man-Made Sound Sources in Irish Waters’ (DAHG, 2014). Additional mitigation is proposed to allow for the presence of harbour porpoise calves during the months of May to September inclusive. This mitigation measure specifies that sound-producing activity shall not commence until at least 45 minutes have elapsed with no marine mammals detected within the Monitored Zone by the MMO.</p> <p>The inter-tidal and sub-tidal geotechnical sampling locations will be selected after review of the geophysical and environmental data collected during the 2020 Site Investigation campaign. The data will be reviewed for the presence of potential ecological features such as subtidal geogenic reef. Sampling locations will then be micro-sited where necessary to avoid ecological (as well as archaeological) impacts.</p> <p>To prevent damage to saltmarsh and sand dune habitat all access to the Poolbeg intertidal by track machine will be supervised by an ecologist to ensure these sensitive areas are avoided.</p> <p>The Poolbeg inter-tidal works will be carried out outside the over-wintering period (01 September -31 March) to avoid disturbance to bird features of the South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA.</p> <p>During intertidal works an ecologist will be employed to ensure disturbance is minimised and site integrity is maintained. If roosting birds are present on the shore during intertidal works, the nearby sample stations will be postponed until the birds depart, without provocation.</p> <p>Drift lines in close proximity to the proposed route would contain the highest proportion of potential food source for bird species. If present, these will be avoided by machinery and personnel.</p> <p>If for any reason access by sea to the near-shore or intertidal sample locations is not possible, any temporary access arrangements or structures that are put in place to allow machinery access to the beach area will be prepared in consultation with an ecologist and the site should be fully reinstated post works.</p> <p>Reinstatement of the intertidal habitat will be carried out to pre-survey conditions. Spoil from boreholes would be contained and removed off site.</p>
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3.5	<p>Describe any other projects or plans for the area, anticipated or developed, that in combination with this proposal, may have a significant effect on a Natura 2000 site:</p> <p>The effect of the proposed works in-combination with other projects within the vicinity have been considered in Annex E – Report to inform Appropriate Assessment Screening and Annex F – Applicant’s Natura Impact Statement of the Supporting Information Report. The Applicant’s assessment concludes that there will be no likely significant in-combination effects with these plans or projects.</p> <p>The following projects have been considered in-combination with the proposed works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dublin Port Company Maintenance Dredge Campaigns (FS007132) • Ringsend Waste Water Treatment Extension (SID Ref PL29N.YA0010) • Irish Water Greater Dublin Bay Drainage Project (FS006843) • Codling Bank windfarm: site investigation studies (FS007045) • North Irish Sea Array (NISA) site investigation works (FS007031)
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Part 4: Navigational Safety Considerations.

4.1	<p>Distance from shipping lanes at nearest point. Illustrate on the appropriate marine charts accompanying the application.</p> <p>Shipping routes are shown in the Supporting Information Report, Figures 15 and 16. Part of the proposed Foreshore Licence area is crossed by north-south and east-west traffic in transit between Dublin Port and Continental European Ports.</p> <p>The principles of mitigation for any effects on shipping and navigation have been agreed with Dublin Port and include agreement with the Port regarding the timing of works in the vicinity of the Traffic Separation Scheme, implementation of a communication protocol between the Applicant, their contractors and Dublin Port VTS and restrictions on number of survey vessels operating at any one time within the Port’s jurisdiction. In addition final locations of static acoustic monitoring deployment locations will be agreed with Dublin Port. Standard navigation safety measures will also be implemented including publication of Notice to Mariners, arrangements for radio / nav-text broadcast warnings to be issued by the Irish Coast Guard, survey vessels will display lights, shapes and other internationally recognised identification or warning signals.</p>
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4.2	<p>If a safety zone for passage of shipping (including fishing and leisure boats) is sought, supply details and give reasons.</p> <p>No safety zones are sought. Notice to Mariners will request that vessels remain at least 500m from the survey vessels.</p>
4.3	<p>If an temporal /spatial restrictions are sought on the use of any type of fishing gear or leisure activity within the area, provide details and justification for such restrictions and indicate location(s) on appropriate marine charts.</p> <p>A Fisheries Liaison Officer will continue to be available to the fishing community to ensure effective communications during the planning and execution of the proposed surveys. Where temporary removal of static fishing gear is necessary, agreements will be sought with relevant local fishers to minimise disruption.</p>

Declaration and Consent:

The details provided here are correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that no works will be commenced, by me or my agents on the proposed site, without the prior written consent of the Minister. The granting or refusal of any foreshore investigation licence will not give rise on the part of the applicant to any expectation whatsoever for, right or entitlement to a grant of any future foreshore permission in respect of all or any part of any area of foreshore.

By submitting this application form, I agree that the details provided (with personal contact details redacted) are to be published on the Department of Housing website and also that the full information provided including contact details are to be processed and retained by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and shared with all appropriate Prescribed Bodies (as part of the Prescribed Bodies Consultation process) in furtherance of consideration for a foreshore Consent under the Foreshore Act 1933 (and Foreshore Amendment Act 2011).

I give consent to the Minister and his servants to copy this application and to make (a redacted) copy available for inspection and copying by the public. This consent relates to this application, to any further information, or submission provided by me or on my behalf and to the publication of the licence document

Signed for and on behalf of the applicant:



Name of Signatory (block letters):



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