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Tivoli Terminal Building,  
Tivoli Dock and Industrial Estate, Cork  
T23 YNT9.

(electronic copy)

24<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Reference : MUL240042

Request for additional information in accordance with section 117(3) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 in respect of licence application reference number MUL240042

Dear ██████████

I refer to the above licence application received by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) on 19/06/2023. MARA considers that it requires the additional information as set out below in order to determine the licence application.

1. Clarify the duration of the licence application being applied for and the reasons for the proposed duration.
2. Clarify the durations of the various environmental surveys (benthic, intertidal and marine mammal surveys).
3. The application states that there will be 11m<sup>3</sup> of drill risings generated per borehole (20 boreholes) which will be dispersed around the drill site as a cuttings pile. Provide detailed information on the content of the drill risings and the potential impact of the drill risings on water quality in particular in terms of dispersion and pollution.
4. In reference to Section 121 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 and in line with MARA's [technical guidance note](#), provide the following:
  - A statement of the project's consistency with the National Marine Planning Framework.
  - Consideration and reasoned conclusions in relation to the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC, the Marine Strategy Framework Directive 2008/56/EC and the EIA Directive (2014/52/EU) (having regard to Schedules 5 and 7 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001).

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The requested information should be submitted to MARA within 8 weeks of the date of this notice, i.e. by 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025, in order for MARA to assess the licence application.

Please direct any queries to [licence@mara.gov.ie](mailto:licence@mara.gov.ie).

Yours faithfully,

Licensing Team  
MARA

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