

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 and the European Communities  
(Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011

Invitation for public submissions on an application for a maritime usage  
licence and an appropriate assessment

Mares Connect Ltd. submitted an application on 28/06/2024 to the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (“MARA”) for a maritime usage licence under section 117 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 to undertake marine environmental surveys for the purposes of site investigation, to assess various factors, including seabed suitability and stability for routing cables and other electrical infrastructure associated with the interconnector project from the 12 nautical mile (nm) limit to the EEZ. The activities will take place in the Irish Sea, off the Dublin Coast, between the 12 nm limit and the boundary of the EEZ. The licence application is for a period of 5 years.



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MUL240008



A related Natura Impact Statement has been submitted with the above licence application. The licence application and the Natura Impact Statement are available for inspection on MARA’s website <https://www.maritimeregulator.ie/applications/mul240008/> and at the following address by appointment– Maritime Area Regulatory Authority, 2nd Floor, Menapia House, Drinagh Business Park, Drinagh, Wexford, Y35 RF29.

Members of the public who wish to make a submission in writing to MARA on the licence application and the Natura Impact Statement may do so quoting ref: MUL240008 to the following e-mail address – [licence@mara.gov.ie](mailto:licence@mara.gov.ie) or by post to the following address - Licence Unit, Maritime Area Regulatory Authority, 2nd Floor, Menapia House, Drinagh Business Park, Drinagh, Wexford, Y35 RF29.

The closing date and time for a written submission to be received by MARA is 17.30 on 06/06/2025.

MARA will then, as soon as practicable, carry out the appropriate assessment determination in accordance with regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011. After the determination, MARA will either grant, part grant or refuse the licence application.

Dated the 7th day of May 2025

[Signed: Representative of MaresConnect

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