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Request for Additional Information: Section 117(3) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021

**Re: Saoirse Wave Energy Ltd
Maritime Usage Licence Application Reference: MUL240054**

Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to the above referenced maritime usage licence application received by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) on 15/04/2025.

MARA considers that it requires additional information as set out below in order to determine the licence application.

1.0 With reference to the strict protection of species listed under Annex IV of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), confirm whether you are required to obtain a derogation under Regulation 54 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011, as amended. If yes, provide details of the application submitted to the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS), including the NPWS application reference number.

2.0 Revise the GIS shapefile to represent the footprint of the maritime area that the marine usage will occupy below the High Water Mark as defined by the Chief Boundary Surveyor, not extending into terrestrial land:

- i. Recalculate the proposed MUL area
- ii. Revise the 'Proposed MUL Map' with updated area calculation displayed accordingly

Ensure all documentation, diagrams, cartographic maps and GIS data files are updated accordingly and resubmitted to MARA.

[MARA Technical Mapping Guidance for MAC MUL Applications.pdf](#)

address:

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3.0 Submit a map showing indicative locations of all of the site investigation activities in relation to the proposed MUL area. Include the locations of the proposed trial pits and provide details on the purpose of the trial pit investigations as well as the depth and area of the trial pits.

4.0 In Section 4.2 (pg9) of the SISSA Report the applicant details that "Uncrewed surface vehicle (USV) and/or autonomous surface vehicle (ASV) may also be used for the provision of geophysical survey". Provide further details on the impact that the use of such vessels/vehicles may have on protected habitats and species.

5.0 Item 3.4 of the application form details that the proposed MUL area overlaps with a small area of privately owned lands as per registered folio number provided. In accordance with Section 5.4.7 of the recently updated MARA Guidance (MUL Guidance) please indicate on a drawing/map the area concerned and provide a letter confirming that you have obtained all necessary consents from the relevant owner(s). Please state if you are aware of any actual or claimed legal rights or interests held by third parties in the proposed site. If yes, please indicate on a drawing/map the area concerned and provide a letter confirming that you have obtained all necessary consents from the relevant owner(s) of such legal rights or interests.

Please refer to MARA's [Guidance and Technical Mapping note](#) when providing the information requested.

The requested information should be submitted to MARA within **4 weeks** of the date of this notice, i.e by **20/10/2025**(or earlier if available), in order for MARA to assess the licence application.

Please direct any queries to licence@mara.gov.ie.

Yours faithfully,

Paula O'Toole
Maritime Usage Licensing Team
MARA