

Date: 13/10/2025

RE: Request for observations – MUL Reference: LIC230013

Dear Sir/Madam,

MARA has received an application from the Port of Waterford for a Maritime Usage Licence under the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 for geotechnical investigation works at the Port of Waterford, Belview, Co. Kilkenny.

The geotechnical investigation required is to support the design of a proposed 250m Offshore Renewable Energy (ORE) capable quay extension in the River Suir at the Port of Waterford, Belview, Co. Kilkenny. The site investigation will consist of 10 boreholes and 10 coreholes, associated sampling and testing. The equipment for excavating boreholes will be a cable percussive drilling rig.

Details of the application and associated documentation are available for viewing on MARA's website at: [LIC230013 - MARA - The Maritime Regulator](#)

Observations on the above referenced Maritime Usage Licence application may be made by email to licence@mara.gov.ie as soon as possible, but no later than **12th November 2025.**

MARA will publish public body observations received on the MARA website.

There is no requirement to provide a NIL response to MARA. Where no response is received, MARA will deem that you have no observations to make on the Maritime Usage Licence application.

Regards,

Joanne Staunton
MARA Licence Authorisations