

MARA Licensing
Via email

MUL ref: MUL230038,

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Re: Uisce Éireann response to RFI dated 10.10.2025 for MUL230038

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Dear MARA,

Under Section 117(3) of the Maritime Area Planning Act MARA have sought further information regarding MUL230038 – Marine Survey at Falcarragh, Co. Donegal as follows:

- 1) With reference to Rhodamine WT dye use, please confirm the maximum number of occasions that Rhodamine WT dye is expected to be used as part of this proposed activity.
- 2) With reference to pontoon deployment/use, if the intention is to withdraw the pontoons from the application, please confirm this. Otherwise, please provide an indication of expected pontoon size, expected mooring methods and an indication of the maximum length of time they would be deployed for, along with a proposed general area of use.

Uisce Éireann wish to confirm the following:

1. The intended number of Rhodamine WT dye releases is two, one release on a spring ebb tide and another release on a flood ebb tide.

The reference to “at least three” releases in our previous RFI submission (RFI 21.08.2025 – UE response 04.09.2025) was intended to convey the fact we are seeking consent for a total of three releases in the event that there are any unforeseen issues with one of the two intended releases.

In the interests of clarity, the maximum number of occasions that Rhodamine WT dye releases will be undertaken is three.

2. As set out in our previous submission (04.09.2025), the use of pontoons was included in the survey scope and MUL application to provide some flexibility to Marine Survey contractors in collecting samples and to minimise vessel deployments.

However as the locations/details are not possible to specified ahead of the preparation of RAMS/Method statements for the survey works, in order to expedite the MUL process Uisce Éireann has omitted the use of pontoons from the survey works and MARA should consider the use of pontoons withdrawn from the application.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact Uisce Éireann or our agents Mott McDonald.

Yours sincerely,



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