

Date: 14/10/2025

RE: Request for Observations – MUL Reference: MUL250010

Dear Sir/Madam,

MARA received an application from Gas Networks Ireland for a Maritime Usage Licence under the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 for Schedule 7, Paragraph 3: Marine environmental surveys for the purposes of site investigation or in support of an application under Part XXI of the Act of 2000 at Shannon Estuary – Cahiracon/Foynes to conduct marine Site Investigations (SI) and environmental surveys within the Shannon Estuary adjacent to the townlands of Shannakea Beg, Cahiracon, Foynes Island, Leahys and Corrig, for the Strategic Gas Emergency Reserve Project.

Details of documentation which will be considered by MARA in its determination, can be accessed using the link [MUL250010 - 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 **13th 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,

Paula O'Toole
MARA Licencing Team