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19/05/2025

Reference: MUL230026

Request for additional information in accordance with section 117(3) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 in respect of licence application reference number MUL230026

Dear Ms O'Dowd,
cc. Colm Sheehan (Bates Partnership)

I refer to the above licence application received by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) on 16/04/2024. MARA considers that it requires the additional information as set out below in order to determine the licence application.

- 1) Confirm that this Maritime Usage Licence application is being made under Schedule 7(1) (i.e. the dredging) and Schedule 7(6) (i.e. deposit of the dredge material at the dump site) of the Maritime Area Planning Act (2021, as amended).
- 2) The application form requests a licence timeframe from 1st January 2025 – 31st December 2032. Please clarify the timeframe requested for the proposed maritime usage.
- 3) The application documentation includes a table of Dredge Quantities. Please revise this document to clarify the following:
 - a. Reflect the quantities proposed to be dredged annually as per the requested clarification on the licence timeframe requested.
 - b. Table 2-1 *Proposed programme of maintenance dredging and disposal activities* states that the “*plough dredge can move sediments to a location where it can be accessed safely, dredged and removed by TSHD*”. Confirm if the quantities of dredge material attributed to Plough in the Dredge Quantities have been counted under TSHD also?

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- c. On the basis of the question above, confirm if the proposed dredge quantity totals (wet tonnes) of 562,500 for TSHD/Mechanical and 90,000 for Plough are correct.
- 4) It is unclear from the application the timing and duration of each dredge campaign. Provide details of the proposed duration of each dredge campaign. How many dredge campaigns are intended to be undertaken each year? Clarify if it is intended to undertake the dredge campaigns on a continuous 24hr basis.
- 5) The application included a dispersion model that addressed water injection dredging. Please submit a dispersion model and assessment report to address the dispersion of the dredge material to account for all of the proposed dredging methods and also accounts dispersion in instances where multiple dredge methods may be undertaken simultaneously.
- 6) Further to the GIS data received by MARA on 10th July 2024 in response to a request for further information, please submit a revised version of the drawing entitled “*Licence Map 1*” (Drawing. No.: FLM-001) to reflect the updated GIS data submitted. Please ensure documentation, diagrams, cartographic maps and GIS data are updated, in accordance with [MARA Technical Mapping Guidance Notes for MAC/MUL Applications in the Maritime Area under the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021](#). Only areas that relate to the Maritime Usage Licence application should be included inside the red line boundaries.

Please refer to MARA [Technical Guidance](#) and/or [MARA Technical Mapping Guidance](#) when resubmitting the data requested.

The requested information should be submitted to MARA within 4 weeks of the date of this notice, i.e by **16/06/2025**, in order for MARA to assess the licence application.

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

Yours faithfully,

Licensing Team
MARA

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