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### **Non-Statutory Consultation**

#### **Maritime Usage Licence Application - Reference MUL240043**

The Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) has received an application from BioAtlantis Ltd. The application is a relevant foreshore authorisation (FS006269) which has been transferred to MARA in accordance with the provisions of Section 1E(5A) of the Foreshore Act 1933 (as amended). The application is for a Maritime Usage Licence under Section 117 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (as amended) (the MAP Act) to undertake Seaweed harvesting of *Ascophyllum nodosum* in Clew Bay, Co. Mayo

Details of this Maritime Usage Licence application and associated documentation are available on the MARA website at [MUL240043 - MARA - Maritime Area Regulatory Authority](#)

#### **Non-Statutory Consultation:**

The MAP Act does not provide a legislative basis for statutory consultation by MARA with public bodies upon receipt of maritime usage licence applications under Part 5 of the Act. However, to support the collaborative management of maritime usages, MARA invites your observations on the above referenced maritime usage licence application.

It should be noted that, as this is not a statutory request, there is no obligation to furnish observations to MARA.

In the event that observations are submitted, MARA cannot guarantee that such observations will be taken into consideration and/or implemented with regard to the proposed maritime usage the subject of the application.

#### **Submission of Observations to MARA**

Where the public body intends to make observations to MARA regarding the above referenced maritime usage licence application, please note:

1. Observations must be submitted in writing to [licence@mara.gov.ie](mailto:licence@mara.gov.ie)
2. Observations must be submitted directly to MARA at the above email address and should not be directed through a parent Department or Organisation.
3. Observations must be submitted **as soon as possible** and no later than **09/01/2026** (30 days + Bank Holidays, from the date of issue of this letter). Observations received by MARA after this deadline may not be considered.
4. All public body observations received by MARA will be published on the MARA website.

Where the public body does not intend to make observations to MARA regarding the above referenced maritime usage licence application, no response is required to this notice.

Regards,

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