## **Ann Kehoe**

Subject:

FW: Dumping at Sea Application - L&M Keating, Kilrush Marina (S0020-01)

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From: Terry McMahon Sent: 08 July 2014 13:57

To: Tara Higgins

Subject: Dumping at Sea Application - L&M Keating, Kilrush Marina (S0020-01)

Tara

Please find attached Marine Institute comments in respect of the above Dumping at Sea Permit application

Regards

Terry

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Advisory Commentee Comments



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Re: Dumping at Sea Permit application from L&M Keating Etd in relation to Kilrush Marina, Co. Clare (S0020-01)

Dear Tara

L&M Keating Ltd has made an application for a Dumping at Sea Permit in respect of Kilrush Creek Marina (Ref S0020-01). It is intended to carry out plough dredging of the approach channel to the marina using a plough towed behind a tug. The area in which plough dredging would be carried out is shown in Drawing No. 15003-5301 A, 15003-5302 A and 15003-5304 A that accompanied the application. It is estimated that circa 14,800 m3 of sediments will be dredged.

It is noted that no data has been provided on the physical or chemical characteristics of the sediment that will be dredged. In the absence of such data the Marine Institute is not in a position to comment on the level of contaminants that may be present in the sediments, assess the sediments against the Guidance levels set out in Cronin et al 2006<sup>1</sup> or comment on the suitability, or otherwise, of the proposed use of plough dredging in this case.

The Marine Institute is of the view that sampling and analysis of sediments to be dredged should be carried out. The Marine Institute would be happy to advise on a sediment sampling and analysis plan.

Kind regards,

Dr. Terry McMahon

Section Manager, Marine Environment and Food Safety Services,

The Marine Institute.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cronin. M., McGovern, E., McMahon, T and Bolens, R. 2006. Guidelines for the assessment of dredge material for disposal in Irish waters. Marine Environment and Health Series No 24 Marine Institute