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Subject: Submission No 266 Aoibheann Bird

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From:
Sent: 26 August 2015 17:14
To: Licensing Staff
Subject: Submission Re: DAS application by Dublin Port Company

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I write to you to express my concern and opposition at the recent proposal of Dublin Port to undertake a dredging project that will see 9.7 million tonnes of dredge waste into Dublin Bay.

I am concerned that this could have disastrous consequences with regards to the health and safety of the diving community in Dublin of which I am a part.

I am a weekly user of the bay and I am concerned about the impact this activity will have, not only on my own activities but also on the local environment. The dredge waste could end up distributed across the bay filling the water with possible contaminants and reducing visibility and hence safety.

The redistribution of such a vast amount of sediment and dredge waste could have potentially disastrous effect of the epifauna of the bay and could negatively impact on the protected wildlife species the bay is famous for.

This is Ireland's only designated biosphere. It has particular significance for our wildlife, recreational activities and brings hundreds of thousands of visitors to the area each year. It is crucial that this area is protected from potential harm caused by the dumping this amount of dredge waste.

I ask you to reject Dublin Port Company's application.

Yours sincerely,

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