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From:
Sent: 26 August 2015 13:07
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.

While I support the development of Dublin Port, it would be absurd for the EPA to approve the dumping of such a large quantity of dredge waste in an area that is, an SAC, Ireland only designated UNESCO Biosphere and an active recreational bay.

As a Scuba diver who dives regularly in Dublin Bay, I also have real concerns that this dumping could significantly alter the viability of Dublin Bay for Scuba Diving by significantly damaging the underwater ecosystem and also pose a real safety risk by significantly reducing underwater visibility.

With this in mind I urge you to reject this proposal and request Dublin Port to identify a viable alternative option for disposal of the dredging waste.

Yours sincerely,

Garrett Cassidy

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