Noeleen Roche

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David Lyons 10 January 2017 11:48 Noeleen Roche RE: S0027-01 Arklow Energy Limited_DaS permit application

Dear Noeleen

The proposed seabed levelling and dumping-at-sea of sediment accumulating at the base of the Arklow Bank Windfarm has been evaluated by both a Natura Impact Statement and amongst others a Marine Mammal Risk Assessment. The conclusion of both documents is that the proposed works are unlikely to pose a significant likely risk to nature conservation interests in the vicinity. The Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs concur with this conclusion.

This conclusion will also be communicated formally through our role as a statutory consultee.

Best regards David

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