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Subject: S0024-02 DaS License application

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To: Wexford Receptionist < <u>REC_WEX@epa.ie</u>> **Subject:** S0024-01 DaS License application

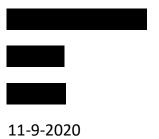
Hello

I wish to make my observations about this application and ask the EPA not to grant a license to Dublin Port.

Regards

Peadar Farrell

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RE: S0024-02

<u>Dublin Port DAS licence</u> application.

Dear Sir/Madam,

only any other use. The above application from Dublin Port is totally different to any other that the EPA have had in recent years for this area.

The ground that they plan to excavate to both widen/extend and deepen the Port is made up ground, the product of city waste/ land fill over the decades.

It is not suitable for dumping at sea irrespective of any sampling done.

They always say there is no Archelogy there but they always find it by shooting planks from ancient vessels up into the body of the dredger.

Dublin Port now virtually every other year alter and change their Master Plan and stack up the Planning Permissions and dumping licences. They literally had a small army of consultants at the Planning oral hearing filling half the room (money does not seem to be a problem to them.).

The "MP2 "is the latest change to their thinking and I would be most concerned if the EPA granted yet another licence to them and doubly concerned if the granted a 15-year licence.

Over the course of 15 years the changes to the world are considerable and hopefully the world will have woken up to the damage that Dumping at sea does. We see the silt covering ever living thing on the sea bed, they agree that they add to the natural silting, they don't dive in it but claim its all ok, we don't believe them.

So currently there have a live Maintenance Dredging licence, + a master plan dumping license, now they want a 15-year change to the Master plan licence, (MP2). Next year they are likely to bolt on another one, sure why not.

They claim mitigating circumstance for dumping only in the winter for one licence and then dump outside winter with another licence which they use back to back. Dumping in Dublin Bay started again vesterday under their Maintenance licence for 4 weeks. Therefore it's likely they will continue on with the Master plan 1 licence dumping in Dublin bay until spring, if they do this that's 5 Months of continuous dumping. Please do let them bag yet another licence at this time

In order to look/study all the proposed works at Dublin Port it's a total jigsaw of Planning permissions granted at different times for different plans. It is very difficult for any member of the Public to untangle. Please do not allow them to build up a series of different 15-year Dumping licences for different "current" plans.

A humble diver has no chance to compete with the volume so many out of town consultants, so we ask the EPA to help us to protect Dublin Bay.

Yours Sincerely,			

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Peadar Farrell		11/09/20