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Good Morning,

I attach herewith submission from MARA in regard to application S0038-01.

I would be obliged if you could acknowledge receipt of same.

Regards,

Jennifer.

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Date: 22nd October 2024

Environmental Protection Agency Reference: S0038-01

Re: Application for Dumping at Sea Permit from Dublin Port Company in respect of Dublin Harbour (3FM Project).

Dear Sir/Madam,

We acknowledge receipt of the request for submission/observations on the above referenced Dumping at Sea Permit application on 16th October 2024.

The Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission on the Dumping at Sea permit application. MARA's functions extend to the entire maritime area, from high water of ordinary tides to the outer limit of the continental shelf, encompassing the State's territorial seas and Exclusive Economic Zone. Our comments relate only to activity within the maritime area. Our comments should not be interpreted as inferring any aspect of assessment of the permit application.

Maritime Usage Licences

MARA is responsible for licensing maritime usage activities under the MAP Act including navigational and maintenance dredging and depositing of any substance or object in the sea or on or under the seabed. Where the activity requires an Environmental Impact Assessment to be undertaken, the activity is regulated through the planning system. As such, MARA has not received a maritime usage activity licence in respect of the 3FM Project.

A full list of applications for maritime usage licences received by MARA to date is available on our website [here](#). A full list of determinations on maritime usage licences is available [here](#).

Maritime Area Consent

MARA is not responsible for granting development permission (this function falls to An Bord Pleanála and the coastal local authorities). It facilitates a streamlined consenting process for developers, and a route for developers to the planning system, by assessing

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applications for Maritime Area Consents (MACs) under the Maritime Area Planning (MAP) Act, 2021, as amended. In the case of the 3FM Project, the applicant will be required under Section 75(4)(c) of the MAP Act to make an application to MARA for a MAC before the 2nd anniversary of the date of grant of planning permission in for the overall 3FM Project.

If you have any queries or require further information in relation to this submission, please contact the undersigned in the Assessment, Research and Data Unit of MARA directly. I would be grateful if receipt of this correspondence, could be formally acknowledged by email to Consultation@mara.gov.ie

Yours sincerely,



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