Regulatory Policy Committee	OPI	NION
Impact Assessment (IA)	Impact Assessment for The ports of, Clyde (Glasgow), Falmouth, Hull, Goole, Immingham and Grimsby, Liverpool, the Manchester Ship Canal, Newhaven, Southampton, Sullom Voe and Swansea ("the Listed Ports)	
Lead Department/Agency	Department for Transport	
Stage	Final	
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OITO Assessment	GREEN	

## Overall comments on the robustness of the OITO assessment.

As this proposal is of European origin, with no evidence of going beyond minimum requirements, it is out of scope of 'One-in, Two-out' in accordance with the Better Regulation Framework Manual (paragraph 2.9.8ii).

## Overall quality of the analysis and evidence presented in the IA

The IA is fit for purpose. The IA sets out clearly the requirements of the Directive and there is no evidence that the proposal includes any 'gold-plating'.

The IA explains that during consultation 'None of the respondents provided revised estimates to quantify the increased costs.' Given the lack of supporting evidence from the consultation the IA would have benefited from a degree of sensitivity analysis in order to demonstrate the level of uncertainty regarding the estimates of costs and benefits.

Signed Michael Gibbons, Chairman