

MLA/2020/00506/1

MMO Licence Application

Variation Request 1 OPEN

Request Date

05-APR-2022

Requested By

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Licence(s) to be varied

L/2021/00333/1 (Marine Licence)

What would you like to vary about your current licence(s)/response(s)?

1. Dredging methodology

We would like to request the addition of an alternative type of dredging plant to the marine licence in Section 4 licensed activities. Under the methodology element of Activity 1.1, 2.1 and 3.1 we would like the sentence which reads "Dredging will be undertaken using a combination of trailing suction hopper dredger and backhoe dredging" to be revised to "Dredging will be undertaken using a combination of cutter suction dredger, trailing suction hopper dredger and backhoe dredging."

In addition, we would also like to amend the text in the methodology section of Activity 3.1; specifically, we would like the sentence that reads "Approximately, up to three barges will be required to support with the transport of sediment dredged using the backhoe dredger to the offshore disposal site" to be revised to "Approximately, up to three barges will be required to support with the transport of sediment dredged using the backhoe dredger or the Cutter Suction Dredger to the offshore disposal site."

2. Dredging description

We would like to request a change to the dredge level noted in Section 4, licensed activities. Under the description elements of Activity 2.1 and 3.1 in Section 4 of the licence, we would like all references to '11m bCD' to be replaced with '11.5m bCD'.

3. Dredge areas

We would like to modify the coordinates of some of the dredging boundaries currently detailed in licence schedule 2 and 3. Revised coordinates are attached.

We have also attached a technical note regarding hydrodynamic and sediment plume modelling which is submitted in support of the change requested in Point 1.

Why would you like to vary your licence(s)/response(s) in this way?

1. Dredging methodology

This change is to facilitate our current proposed programme to commence the dredging works in June 2022. We wish to have the cutter suction dredger added to the marine licence to give us flexibility in terms of dredging plant we can use to suit to most time and cost efficient dredging solution available to the project.

2. Dredging description

This change is to accommodate the 0.5m over-dredge allowance required by the dredging contractor to meet the project contractual requirements of a bed level 11m bCD.

3. Dredge areas

This change is to reflect completion of the detailed design of the dredge side slopes, which means that there is a marginal increase to the dredge boundary footprint.

What date would the varied licence(s)/response(s) come into effect?

01-MAY-2022