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Alexander

We have now had an opportunity to review the 2014 application documents, and having noted the:

1. Reduction in Under Keel Clearance
2. Revised installation and decommissioning methodology
3. Extended period of deployment

can confirm that, provided the recommendations in the revised Navigational Safety Risk Assessment report are implemented, we have no objection to the revised application.

We do note however in the Environmental Report (page 90) it is stated that: "Given the siting and depths of the other turbines, the normal range of tidal heights and, hence the clearances which exists for the greater part of the time, the risk to shipping from the presence of the array as a whole is considered as being **"Tolerable with Monitoring"**". We would therefore recommend that additional traffic information is gathered during the construction and post installation stages.

Best regards

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