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**Request for the extension of EPS Licence: MS
EPS 00010386 and BS0010387**

30 August 2024

For the attention of: <Redacted>

Dear <Redacted> ,

I am writing to you on behalf of our Client, Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd, in connection with the New Islay Vessels Enabling Project, Colonsay Ferry Terminal.

A licence to disturb Marine Species (MS EPS 00010386) was granted in 29 September 2023 to permit the disturbance of harbour porpoise, bottlenose dolphin, minke whale, Risso's dolphin, white sided dolphin, short beaked common dolphin, killer whale, white beaked dolphin, long-finned pilot whale, for preserving public health or public safety or other imperative reasons of overriding public interest including those of a social or economic nature and beneficial consequences of primary importance for the environment in connection with Colonsay Ferry Terminal Development. This licence is due to expire 30 September 2024.

A Licence to disturb Basking Shark (Ref BS0010387) was also issued 29 September 2023 permitting the disturbance of basking sharks at Colonsay Ferry Terminal, for preserving public health or public safety or other imperative reasons of overriding public interest including those of a social or economic nature and beneficial consequences of primary importance for the environment in connection with Colonsay Ferry Terminal Development. This licence is also due to expire 30 September 2024.

Due to several issues encountered with unforeseen ground conditions works have extended longer than was previously programmed. We are now anticipating that works will be completed on the site by November 2024, however, to allow for any risk of weather delay we are requesting that the above licences be extended to **30th April 2025**.

There have been no changes to the methodology for the activities being undertaken under the licence since the original application and mitigations stated within the licence conditions are being maintained.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information to progress this application.

Kind Regards,

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