
Appendix E. Consultation Response with Marine Scotland

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Sent: 23 February 2021 09:38
To: Purves, Campbell <Campbell.Purves@jacobs.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Request for Pre Application Consultation Statement - Forth Road Bridge 5 Year Maintenance Licence

Dear Mr Purves,

Apologies for the delay in response.

MS LOT can confirm that the proposed maintenance works on the Forth Road Bridge are not an EIA project under The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 or The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 (as amended) as they are not listed as a Schedule 1 or 2 development under the relevant EIA Regulations. As we do not consider the licensable marine activity described to fall under any of the Schedule 1 or 2 project descriptions, the EIA Regulations do not apply to your proposal. MS-LOT is therefore not required to adopt a screening opinion.

THE MARINE LICENSING (PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013

PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION STATEMENT

BEAR Scotland: Forth Road Bridge 5 Year Maintenance

Thank you for your email dated 26 January 2021 with accompanying documents, seeking a pre-application consultation statement for the proposed maintenance works.

You have supplied a plan sufficient to identify the area of the Scottish marine area which is the subject of the prospective application, as well as a description of the nature and purpose of the licensable marine activity as well as information on the possible effects on the environment. Marine Scotland consider there is sufficient information to give a pre-application consultation statement.

Marine Scotland are of the opinion that the marine activity is of a class or description prescribed in regulation 4 of The Marine Licensing (Pre-application consultation) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 however Marine Scotland considers that the works are of a sufficiently similar type which has been licensed at the location previously and therefore no pre-application consultation is required under Part 4 22(3) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010.

What this means to you

- You can submit a marine licence application for these works
- If you have already submitted a marine licence application MS-LOT will begin to process it

Further information or guidance

The rules covering marine licensing can be found at Part 4 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010. A copy of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 can be obtained at:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2010/5/contents>

A copy of The Marine Licensing (Pre-application Consultation) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 can be obtained at:

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2013/286/made>

Guidance on The Marine Licensing (Pre-application Consultation) (Scotland) Regulations can be obtained at:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/Licensing/marine/guidance/preappconsult>

Further information on marine licensing can be obtained from our website at:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/Licensing/marine>

It is important that you are fully conversant with all of the rules that apply to your activity and your attention is drawn to the advice given above. If you have a further questions please do not hesitate to get in contact using the details below or by e-mailing ms.marinelicensing@scotland.gsi.gov.uk

If you have any further queries please do let us know. In the meantime we will continue to process the application and an invoice will be issued in due course before being progressed.

Kind regards,

Jack

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