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IN conformity with Regulation 3(8) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (S.L. 504.79) with respect to the application mentioned hereunder and in view of the fact that the Environment and Resources Authority has determined that the proposal is unlikely to have significant environmental impacts, the Director agrees that the proposal does not require the preparation of an Environmental Planning Statement (EPS).

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The Project Description Statement (PDS) presented as part of the application has considered the environmental issues in a sufficient manner such that the preparation of an EPS would not add any new information and the Environment and Resources Authority has all the necessary information to determine the application. From the information presented in the PDS and screening according to Schedule IB of the same Regulations, the proposal is not likely to have significant environmental effects.

Gustifikazzjoni dettaljata tinstab hawn taht:

A detailed justification is presented below:

Numru ta' Riferenza: TRK162735

Reference Number: TRK162735

Post: Malta Freeport Terminals, Terminal 1, Triq Kalafrana, Birżebbuġa

Location: Malta Freeport Terminals, Terminal 1, Triq Kalafrana, Birżebbuġa

Proposta: Biex jinbena *fuel station* għal operat tal-inġenji tal-Freeport u jitwaqqa' *slab* eżistenti, minflok post fejn jinżammu *containers*.

Proposal: To remove existing container block-stow and demolish existing slab; proposed construction of service station for refuelling of terminal equipment.

Dawn l-impatti potenzjali fuq l-ambjent, flimkien ma' numru ta' mizuri biex jittaffa l-impatt, ġew identifikati fid-Deskrizzjoni tal-Proġett (PDS) li kien sottomess lill-Awtorità għall-Ambjent u r-Riżorsi fid-19 ta' Jannar, 2016 u fil-gustifikazzjoni għall-eżenzjoni mill-Istudju dwar l-Impatt Ambjentali li giet sottomessa fit-23 ta' Frar, 2016.

The following potential environmental impacts were identified and mitigation measures proposed in the Project Description Statement (PDS) submitted to the Environment and Resources Authority on the 19th January, 2016 and the justification for the exemption from carrying out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) submitted on 23rd February, 2016.

**Impatti potenzjali**  
**Potential Impacts****Rimarki fuq mizuri biex jittaffa l-impatt, eċċ.**  
**Remarks on mitigation measures, etc.**

Kwalità tal-Arja

Fil-konsiderazzjoni tal-użu eżistenti tal-art tal-madwar filwaqt li jiġi nnotat li l-eqreb żona ta' żvilupp tinstab 1km mis-sit u li l-proġett propost huwa anċillari għall-funzjoni tal-Freeport, effetti sinifikanti fuq l-kwalità tal-arja permezz ta' dhahen addizzjonali u/jew emissjonijiet, mhux mistennija. Madankollu, l-operaturi huma mitluba li jaġġornaw il-permess ambjentali rilevanti EP0033/09/F, u aktar dettalji qed jiġu mitluba fir-rigward tad-disinn tal-proġett propost.

*Air Quality*

*In consideration and understanding of the existing surrounding land uses, noting that the closest development zone is located within 1km of the site and that the proposed project is ancillary to the existing Freeport operations, significant effects on the air quality of the area, in terms of additional fumes and/or vapour emissions generated is not expected. Nevertheless, the operators are required to update the relevant environmental permit EP0033/09/F, and further details are being requested with regard to the operational design of the proposed project.*

Impatt vizwali	Il-proġett propost jinsab fil-konfini eżistenti tal-Malta Freeport Terminal Ltd, li huwa ddominat minn krejnijiet eżistenti. F'dan ir-rigward, l-ebda impatt viziv sinifikanti huwa previst mill-proġett propost.
<i>Visual Impact</i>	<i>The proposed project is located within the confines of the existing Malta Freeport Terminal Ltd. which is dominated with the heights of the existing crane structures. In this regard, no significant visual impacts from the proposed project are envisaged.</i>
Imaniġġjar tal-iskart	L-ammont ta' skart solidu li x'aktarx jiġi prodott mill-proġett waqt il-kostruzzjoni mhux probabbli li jkun sinifikanti meta wieċed jikkonsidra l-lokalità u l-iskop tal-proposta kif ukoll in-natura tal-użu eżistenti tal-madwar. Il-kwantitajiet u n-natura tal-iskart prodott x'aktarx ikunu maniġġabbli permezz ta' proċeduri u faċilitajiet għall-immaniġġjar tal-iskart stabbiliti
<i>Waste Management</i>	<i>The amounts of solid wastes likely to be produced by the project during construction of the project are not likely to be significant noting the location and scope of the proposal and the nature of the existing surrounding land uses. The quantities and nature of the waste produced are likely to be manageable through established waste management procedures and facilities.</i>
Hsejjes	Il-proġett propost jinsab fil-konfini eżistenti tal-Malta Freeport Terminal Ltd. Il-kostruzzjoni u l-operatt tal-proġett probabbli mhux se jwasslu għal impatti sinifikanti ta' storbju ma' dak eżistenti.
<i>Noise</i>	<i>The proposed project is located within the confines of the existing Malta Freeport Terminal Ltd. grounds. The construction and operation requirements of the project are thus not likely to give rise to significant noise impacts in consideration of the existing baseline.</i>

Minkejja dak imsemmi hawn fuq, l-Awtorità għall-Ambjent u r-Riżorsi iżżomm id-dritt li titlob lill-applikant li jissottometti informazzjoni oħra kif jista' jkun meħtieġ biex tiddeċiedi l-applikazzjoni.

Notwithstanding the above, the Environment and Resources Authority reserves the right to request the applicant to submit additional information as may be necessary to determine the application.

L-10 ta' Mejju, 2016

10th May, 2016

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