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Our Ref: EA 00023/18

Dear Sir,

Planning Ref.: PA 03125/18

Description Proposal: Construction of a mooring facility at the commuter Ferry Landing Place at Machinery Wharf Cospicua

Location: Ferry Landing Site, Site at Machinery Wharf, Dockyard Creek, Xatt ir-Risq, Cospicua (Bormla), Malta

Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2017 (S.L. 549.46)

ERA's recommendation and representation on the said development proposal are being lodged in its capacity as an external consultee and an interested party in accordance with the Development Planning Act and the Development Planning (Procedure for Applications and their Determination) Regulations, 2016 (Legal Notice 162 of 2016).

We refer to the Sediment Analysis and the Benthic Survey Report that were received by the ERA on 23rd April 2019 and 13th May 2019, respectively.

1. ERA Assessment

Following detailed review of the Sediment Analysis and the Benthic Survey Report, ERA accepts final versions of the said studies.

2. Further submissions

Consignment Permit

The Applicant is required to apply for a consignment permit for any disposal of material at sea, issued by the Environment and Resources Authority. In this regard, the applicant would need to contact the Environmental Permitting Unit (industrial.applications@era.org.mt) to discuss the relevant requirements. No works shall commence until the Consignment Permit is approved by ERA.

Applicant is to indicate the way forward for the treatment or disposal of the dredged of the hazardous material within the Bormla area. Disposal of the dredged material in the local landfill is prohibited unless treated for the hazardous parameters, as the local landfill accepts only non-hazardous material.

ERA's screening can be accessed on the Authority's website through the following link:
https://era.org.mt/en/Pages/PA03125_18.aspx

Yours sincerely,

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