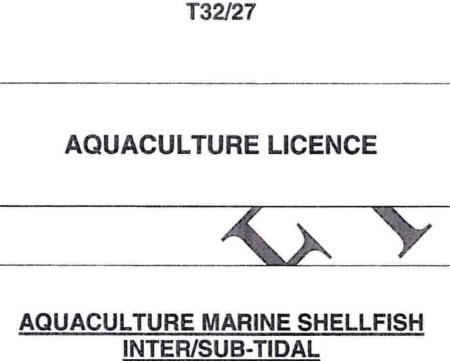
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### T32/27

### AQUACULTURE LICENCE NO. XXXX

#### GRANTED UNDER THE FISHERIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1997 (NO. 23 of 1997)

The Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine (hereinafter referred to as the "Minister"), in exercise of the powers conferred on mr by the Fisheries (Amendment) Act, 1997 (No. 23 of 1997) (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), grants an Aquaculture Licence to:

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(hereinafter referred to as the "Licensee") for the could ion of mussel spat on a site in an area between Clorga Bay, and Kilmichael Point, off the coast of Co. Wicklow as specified in Schedule (attache) (numbered 132/27) and indicated by a red line on the attached map in accordant with the plans and drawing(s) in Schedule 2 attached as approved of by the Unister, bject to the Act and Regulations made under the Act and to the terms and cost bions set out in the attached pages.

This Aqua, hure Licence shall remain in force for a maximum period of ten (10) years commenting on X XXXXXXXX 2018, provided for so long as the Foreshore Licence granted on XX XXXXXXXX 2018, under Section 3(1) of the Foreshore Act 1933 (No.12 of 1933) in respect of the same site for the purpose referred to is in force.

A person authorised under Section 15(1)

of the Ministers and Secretaries Act 1924 to authenticate the Seal of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLYING TO THIS AQUACULTURE LICENCE

#### 1. Licensed Area

- 1.1 The area specified in *Schedule 1* attached (65.996 hectares) (labelled T32/27) and outlined in red on the map(s) in *Schedule 1*.
- 1.2 The co-ordinates for the site are based on the Irish National Grid Co-ordinate System.

#### 2. Species, Collection and Method Licensed

- 2.1. Species to be collected: Mussel spat
- 2.2. Method: Long-lines System on the sub-tidel foreshore.

### 3. Infrastructure and Site Management

#### Indemnity

- 3.1. The Licensee shall indem if y and keep indemified the State, the Minister, his officers, servants or agents grant all actions, by damage, costs, expenses and any demands or claims how oever using in connection with the construction, maintenance or use of any structures appendic equipment or any other thing used in connection with the licensed operation in the licensed area or in the exercise of the rights canted in er the license and the Licensee shall take such steps as the Minister many specify it order to ensure compliance with this condition.
- 3.2. The duty of mains ance and possibility for the upkeep and safety of the site rests yan the bit of see.

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- 3.3. A Licensee shift ensure that the equipment (including all flotation, mooring and anch, ing device) is placed within the licensed area only. Storage or placement of equipment or stock on the foreshore or seashore outside the licensed area is not permitted, ider any circumstances.
- 3.4. The Minister may direct as to the deployment of apparatus and flotation devices and their colour, within the site.
- 3.5. The Licensee shall obtain the prior approval of the Minister to any proposed material change to the plan/drawings or equipment as approved being used during the licensing period as specified in *Schedule 2* attached.
- 3.6. The Licensee shall at all times for the duration of the licence keep all equipment used for the purposes of the licensed operations in a good and proper state of repair and condition to the satisfaction of the Minister or other competent State authority.

3.7. The Licensee shall ensure that each trestle grouping/pole and all flotation and mooring devices in the licensed area legibly bear the Aquaculture Licence Number in an indelible weatherproof format.

#### **Operational Conduct**

- 3.8. The Licensee shall conduct its operations in a safe manner and with regard for other persons in the area and the environment and shall ensure that the operations are not injurious to adjacent lands or the public interest (including the environment) and do not interfere with navigation or other lawful activity in the vicinity of the licensed area, and shall comply with any lawful directions issued by the Minister and any other competent State authority in that regard.
- 3.9. The Licensee shall ensure that any aquaculture or ther activity conducted under this licence does not adversely affect the integrit of the Natura 2000 network (if applicable) through the deterioration of natural natural natural has been designated in and/or through disturbance of the species for which he area has been designated in so far as such a disturbance may be significant in relation to the stated conservation objectives of the site concerned.
- 3.10. The Licensee shall ensure that tractors or other rehicles) accessing and leaving the site adhere strictly to approved access an mass routes as specified in Schedule 1 attached. Full compliance is required in ther to minimise disturbance to the foreshore and habitat. All ters shall be man fully aware of the specific route approved.
- 3.11. The Licensee shall ensure that jourceys back and forth on the approved access and egress routes are to the minit tum necessary.
- 3.12. The License shall ensure that tractors/towing vehicles to be used for aquaculture purpose on the foreshore are fitted with efficient extractors/toncers/tonflers and that vibration noise from tractors and machinery is kept to a numpum.
- 3.13. The Licensee shall ensure that all vehicles are properly maintained so as to prevent les, ges of oils, els, grease etc.
- 3.14. The Lie issee shall ensure that all vehicles move slowly at all times on the foreshore, but engine revolution is kept to a minimum and that engines are turned off when not in use.
- 3.15. The Licensee shall ensure that if more than one vehicle is needed on the shore that all vehicles, where possible, arrive and depart together.
- 3.16. The Licensee shall so organise its operations in consultation with other licensed operators to ensure that the total number of vehicles and harvesting machines on the foreshore on any one day is kept to the minimum necessary.
- 3.17. The Licensee shall ensure that when carrying out aquaculture work on the foreshore, dogs owned or under the control of the Licensee shall not be present, in order to minimise disturbance to the birdlife in the area.

3.18. The Licensee shall ensure that best practice is employed to keep structures and netting clean at all times and any biofouling by alien invasive species shall be removed and disposed of in a responsible manner. In particular, in 'Natura 2000' sites care must be taken to ensure that any biofouling by alien invasive species will not pose a risk to the conservation features of the site. Measures to be undertaken are set out in the draft Marine Code of Practice prepared by Invasive Species Ireland and can be found on the web site at: http://invasivespeciesireland.com/.

#### Waste Management

3.19. The Licensee shall ensure that the licensed and adjoining area shall be kept clear of all redundant structures (including apparatus, equipment and/or uncontained stock), waste products and operational litter or debris and hall make provision for the prompt removal and proper disposal of such material. If the Licensee refuses or fails to do so, the Minister may cause the said and tures, apparatus, equipment or other thing to be removed and the licensed rea reacted and shall be entitled to recover from the Licensee as a simple intract debrid any court of competent jurisdiction all costs and expenses increased by him in conviction with the removal and restoration.

#### Inspection

- 3.20. The licensed area and any equipment, soncture, thing, or premises wherever situated used in connection, the operations can do out in the licensed area shall be open for inspection at any the can authorise terson (within the meaning of Section 292 of the Fisheries (Constitution) Act 1959) (No. 14 of 1959) (as amended by Fisheries Act 1980 (No. 1 or constitution) Act 2006) (No. 14 of 1959) (as 2006) or any other terson appointed in that regard by the Minister or other competent sine authority.
- 3.21. The Lorsee shall vive all reaconable assistance to an authorised officer or a Sea risheries k metion. Ficer or any person duly appointed by any competent State authority to evale the pron or officer enter, inspect, examine, measure and test relicensed are and any equipment, structure, thing or premises used in connection whethe operations carried out in the licensed area and to take whatever samples may deemed a propriate by that person or officer.
- 3.22. The Licence shall keep and maintain in the State for inspection on demand by the Minister or a competent State authority, at all times, records of all operations including compliance monitoring and any required follow up action. These records shall be produced by the Licensee on demand by the Minister or other competent State authority and in any event not later than 24 hours from the making of that demand.
- 3.23. The Licensee shall furnish to the Minister or other competent State authority in the form and at the intervals determined by the Minister or other competent State authority, such information relating to the licensed area as may be required to determine compliance by the Licensee with the terms of this licence and applicable legislation.

#### 4. Navigation and Safety

- 4.1. The Licensee shall ensure that Statutory Sanction from the Commissioners of Irish Lights is in place prior to the commencement of operations, regarding all aids to navigation. Statutory Sanction forms are available at <u>http://www.cil.ie/safety-navigation/statutory-sanction.aspx</u>.
- 4.2. The Licensee shall ensure that the site is marked in accordance with the requirements of both the Marine Survey Office and the Commissioners of Irish Lights as specified in *Schedule 3*. The navigation marking detail is as illustrated in *Schedule 3*.
- 4.3. The Licensee shall comply with any specification requirement relating to navigational aids, flotation and mooring devices, supporting/marking posts/poles, as required by the Minister or any other competent and authority.
- 4.4. Prior to commencement of operation the Licens, shall inform the UK Hydrographic Office at Taunton, of the location and nature of the site in order that charts and nautical publications can be updated. Tel: 00 44 https://www.commun.com/ 1823 284077 Email: sdr@ukho.gov.sthe Licensee shall so mit proof to the Department within 14 days of the date the licence that the UK Hydrographic Office has been so informed.

#### 5. Monitoring

5.1. The Licensee shall undertake ana/or onterke in monitoring, in particular environmental monitoring, as depeted by the Minister or other competent State authority.

### 6. Fish Health / Morta, May Seement / Movement of Fish

#### Fish Hann & lations

6.1 Before the series stock of the Licensee shall ensure that a Fish Health Authorisation under statutory rovision giving effect to Council Directive No. 2006/88/EC, as sended, or any other legislative act that replaces that Directive on animal health requirements for quaculture animals and their products, and on the prevention and control of certain diseases in aquatic animals, is in place.

#### Disposal of Mor aities

6.2. The Licensee shall dispose of dead fish in accordance with the applicable statutory provisions and requirements.

#### Movement of Fish

6.3. The Licensee shall comply with any regulations in force governing the movement of fish.

#### 7. Duration, Cessation, Review, Revocation, Amendment, Assignment

#### Duration, Cessation

7.1. This Licence shall remain in force until XX XXXXXXXXX 2018 and as long as the accompanying Foreshore Licence remains in force.

#### Review

7.2. The Licensee may apply for a review of the licence at any time after the expiration of three years since the granting of the licence or its last renewal in accordance with section 70 of the Act.

#### Revocation, Amendment

- 7.3. Subject to the Act, the Minister may revoke or amend the licence if:-
- (a) he considers that it is in the public interest to do to
- (b) he is satisfied that there has been a bread of a condition specified in the licence e.g., operating outside the licensed read
- (c) the licensed area to which the licence plates is not being puperly maintained,
- (d) water quality results or general per trance in the licensed, the do not meet the standards set by the Minister or the convetent S the authority.

#### Assignment

- 7.4. This Licence shall not be a stand without the prior written consent of the Minister and may not be assigned that the period three years, dating from the commencement or renewal of this is the unless the Minister determines that it may be assigned under condition 7(5) or the dition set out in 7(6) applies.
- 7.5. A License who conjiders that there are exceptional reasons for the assignment of the Licence ouring the first three theres, may apply to the Minister, giving those reasons, for a communication that the Licence may be assigned. The Minister may, at his for the hard consider a the reasons given by the Licensee, determine whether on the hard consider a the reasons given by the Licensee, determine whether on the hard consider a the reasons given by the Licensee, determine this regard is mal.
- 7.6. We we the License is a company (within the meaning of the Companies Acts) and goes the Liquid tion (within the meaning of the Companies Acts) in the first three years doing from the commencement of the licence, the Liquidator shall, with the consent of the Minister, be entitled to assign the licence to enable him to discharge any debts of the liquidated company.
- 7.7. This licence is issued subject to any order that the High Court may make under section 218 of the Companies Act 1963 or otherwise with regard to the assignment of this licence.

#### 8. Fees

8.1. The Licensee shall pay to the Minister an annual aquaculture licence fee in accordance with the Aquaculture (Licence Application and Licence Fees) Regulations 1998(S.I. No. 270/1998) as amended by the Aquaculture (Licence Fees) Regulations 2000 (S.I. No. 282 of 2000) or an amount payable under Regulations made under section 64 of the Act.

8.2. The Minister may revoke the licence where the Licensee fails to pay the aquaculture licence fees on demand.

#### 9. General Terms and Conditions

- The Licensee shall at all times comply with all laws applicable to aquaculture operations.
- 9.2. Any reference to a statute or an act of an institution of the European Union (whether specifically named or not) includes any amendments or re-enactments in force and all statutory instruments, orders, notices, recalations, directions, bye-laws, certificates, permissions and plans made, is a or given effect under such legislation shall remain valid.
- 9.3. If any condition or part of a condition in this licence held to be illegal or unenforceable in whole or in part, so b condition shall be detend not to form part of this licence but the enforceability on the remainder of this licence is not affected.
- 9.4. The Licensee shall at all times hold all never ary licences, consents, permissions, permits or authorisations is ociated with activities of the Licensee in connection with the licensed tree.

#### Notification

- 9.5. Without preistore to any other readedy under the licence or in law, if the Minister is of the view that the censee is in breach of any obligation under this licence, the Minister may by not the in writing, require that the Licensee rectifies such breach, within such that as a presified by the Minister. The Licensee shall comply with any direction of the Minister wathin the time specified in the notice.
- Any notice to given the Minister may be transmitted through the Post Office addressed to the Licensee at the last known address of the Licensee.
- 9.7. The sense shall notify the Minister within 7 days of any change in the License: address, telephone, e-mail or facsimile number.

#### Tax Clearance Certificate

9.8. During the term of this licence the Licensee shall provide to the Minister on demand a current tax clearance certificate.

#### Companies and Co-operatives

9.9. In the event of the licence being granted to a company (within the meaning of the Companies Acts), control of the licensee company shall not change in any respect from the control of the company as existed on the date that the licence was granted so long as this licence shall remain in force save with the prior written permission of the Minister.

- 9.10. In the event of a licence being granted to a company that has been incorporated outside this State, the licensee company shall register with the Companies Registration Office within one month of the establishment of a place of business in the State or alternatively, within one month of the establishment of a branch of the said company in the State and the licensee company shall submit proof to the Department within 14 days of the end of that month that it has been so registered.
- 9.11. Where the licensee is a company within the meaning of the Companies Acts, the licensee company shall ensure that it does not become dissolved within the meaning of the Companies Acts for so long as this licence shall remain in force.
- 9.12. In the event of the licence being granted to a society (within the meaning of section 2 of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Act 1978 (No.23 of 1978) the following conditions shall apply:-
  - 9.12.1. The rules relating to membership of the focus y shall enable any resident of the State to become a member of it where the resident fulfils all the conditions laid down by the society for membership of it and rules shall not lay down different conditions for different cases of people;
  - 9.12.2. The rules relating to the society submined to the Miniter before the grant of this licence shall not be amended assequently other than with the written permission of the Minister; and
  - 9.12.3. The Minister may, it he insiders it ne sary in the interests of good management of the licen ed are inject that an amendment may be made to the rules of the society, and the License shall amend the rules in accordance with the direct on.

Clearance of Site

9.13. The Licensee S. Wash bicensee's own expense, if so required by written notice from the license of within more weeks after receipt of such notice or on cessation of the license for any other cause, remove the structures, apparatus, equipment or any other thin to the subjection of the Minister. If the Licensee refuses or fails to so, the Minister may cause the said structures, apparatus, equipment or other thin to be removed and the licensed area restored and shall be entitled to recover from the License as a simple contract debt in any court of competent jurisdiction all costs and expenses incurred by him in connection with the removal and restoration, the Licensee shall take such steps as the Minister may specify in order to secure compliance with this condition.

Schedule 1 contains:

- the co-ordinates of the site based on the Irish National Grid Co-ordinate System and the area of the site
- site map(s) which also shows the access/egress route to and from the site
- a chart showing the location of the site in relation to the surrounding area.



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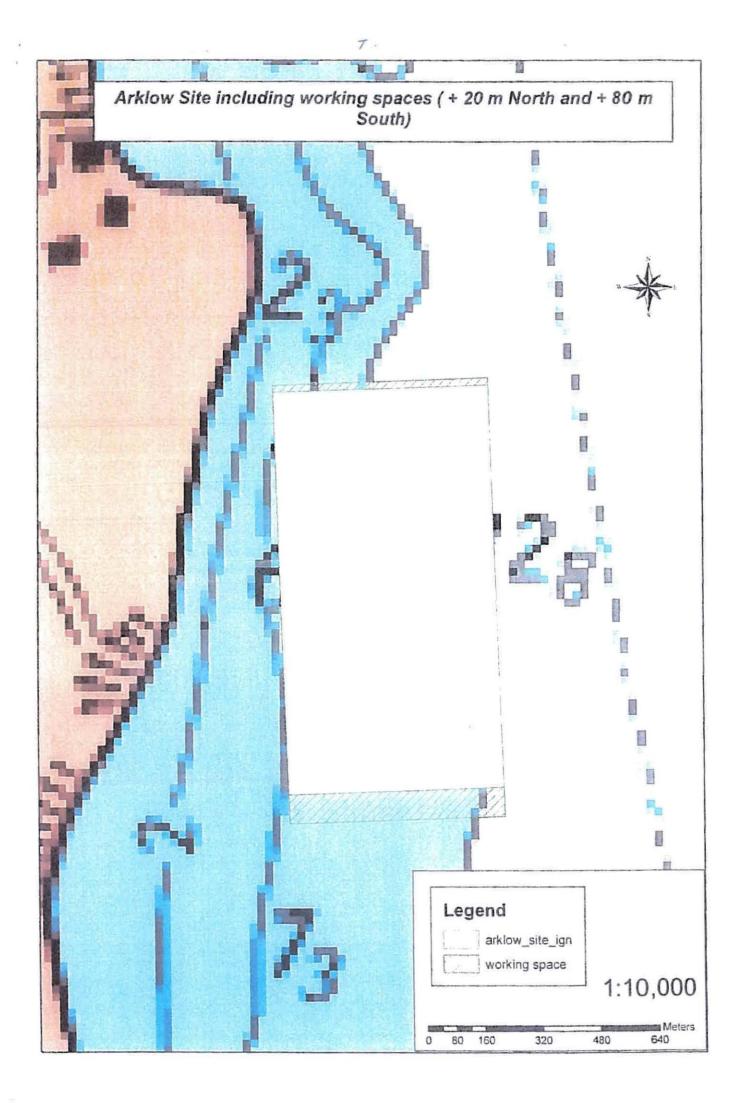
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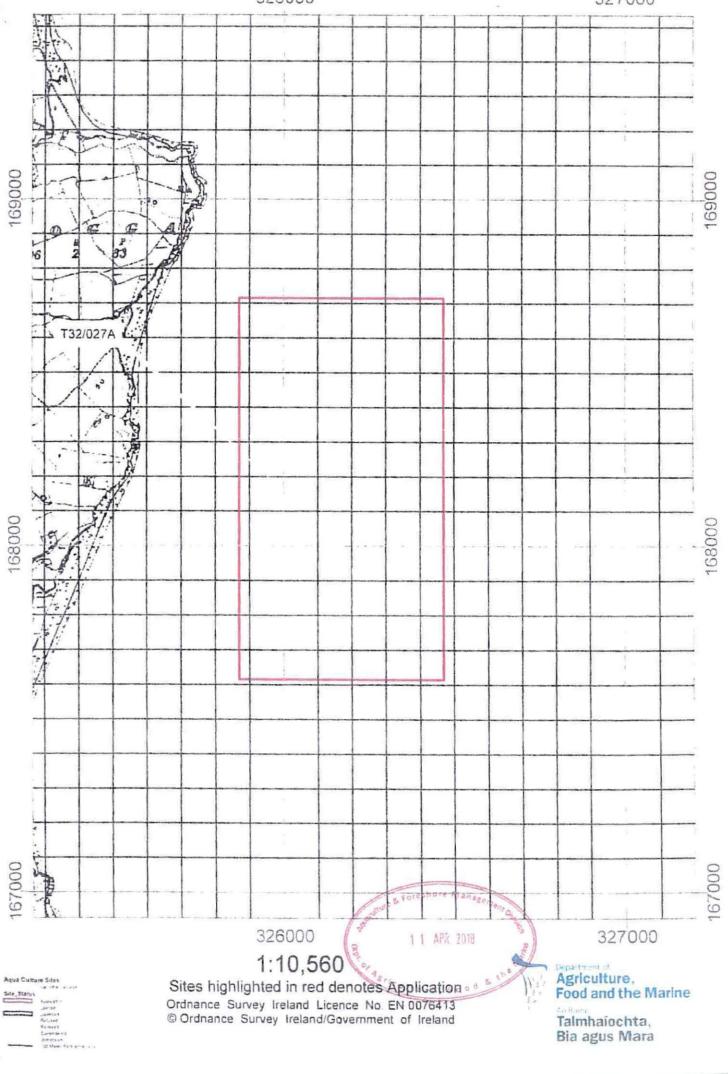
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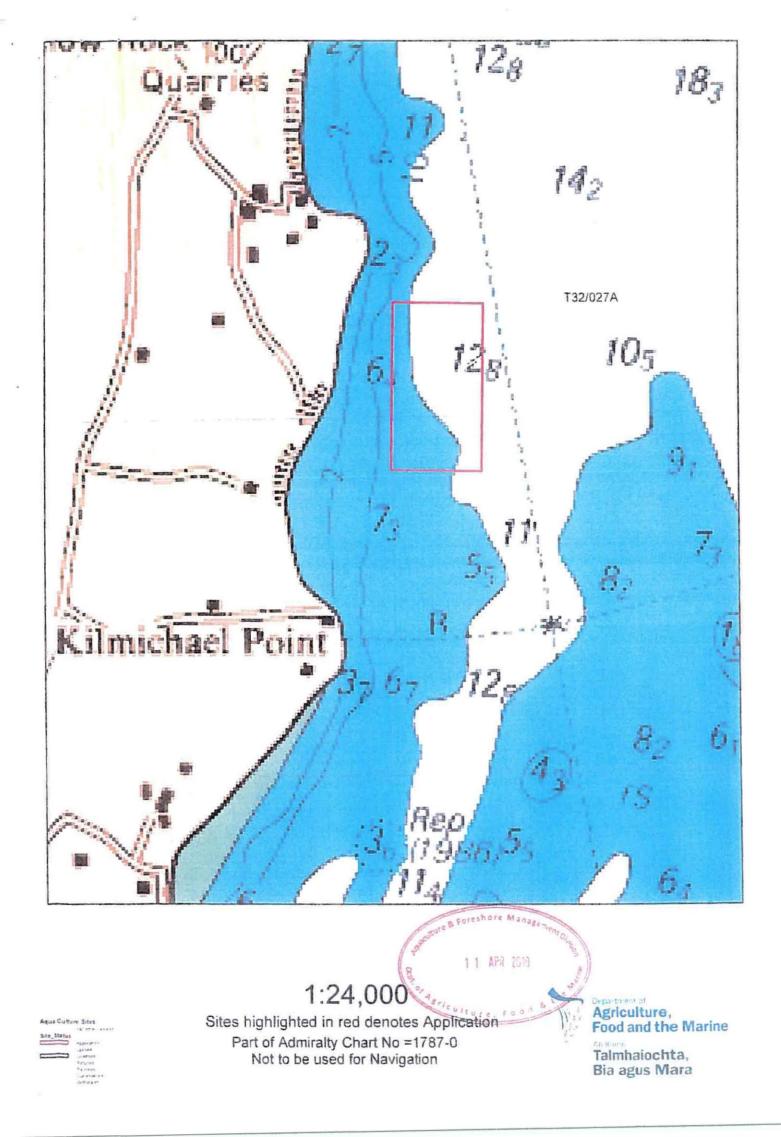


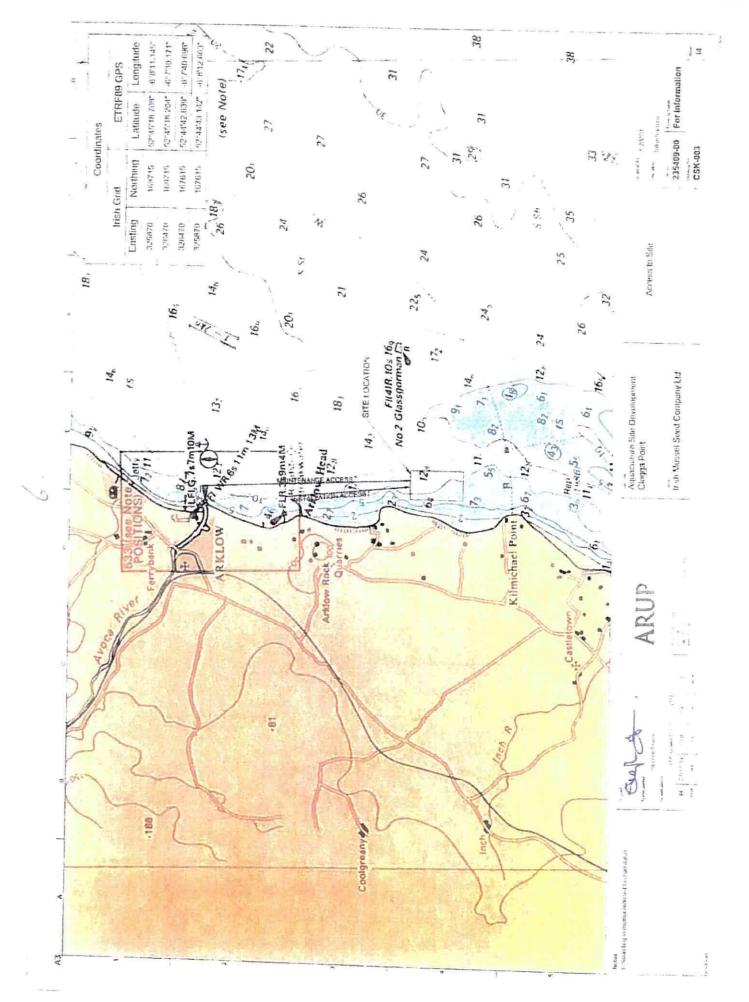




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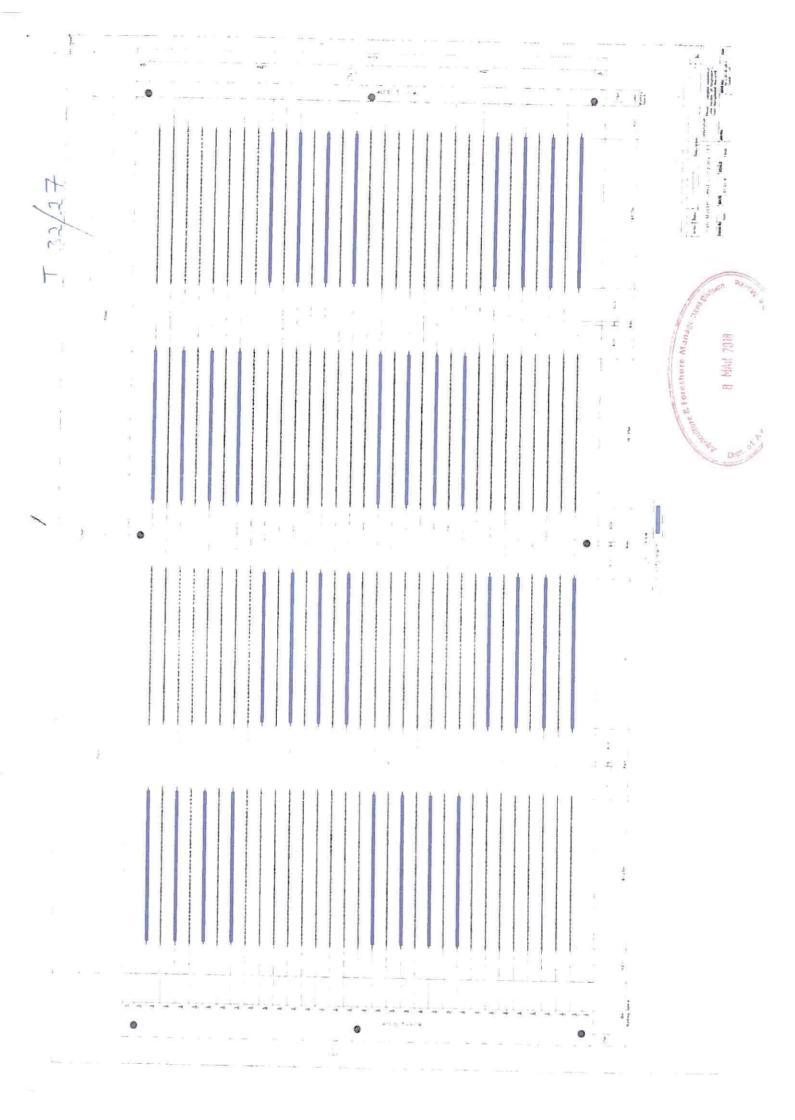


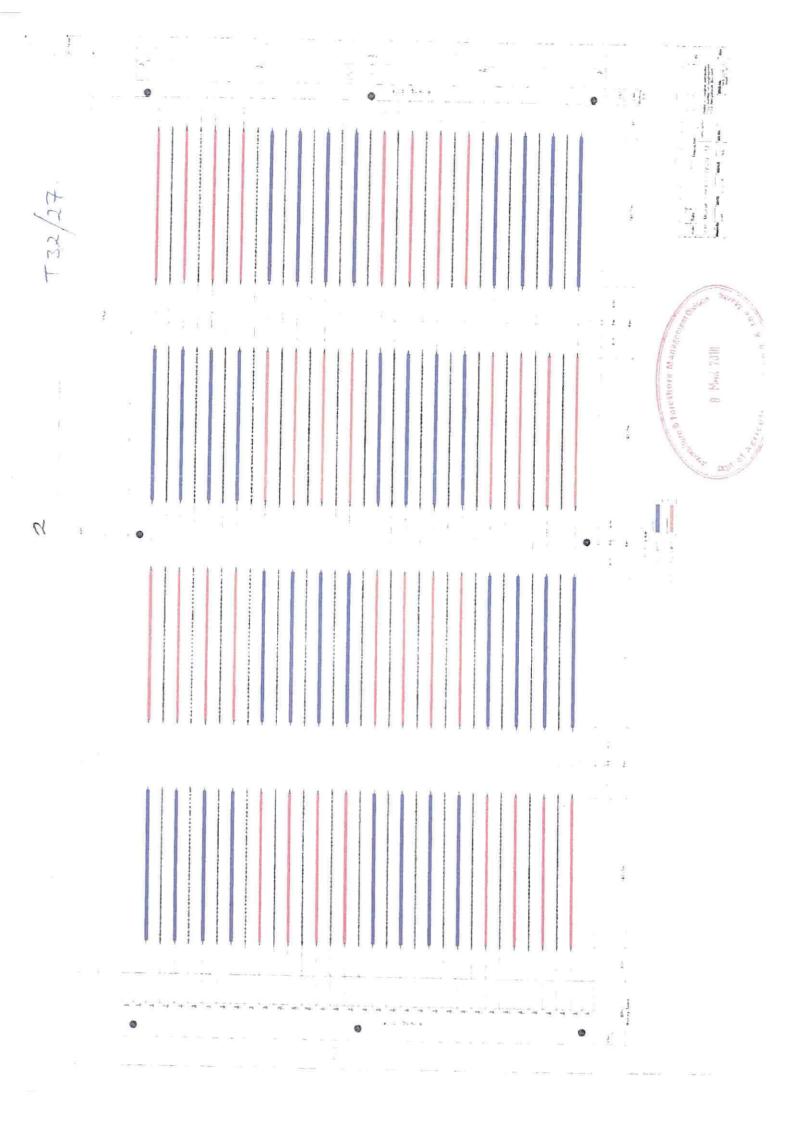
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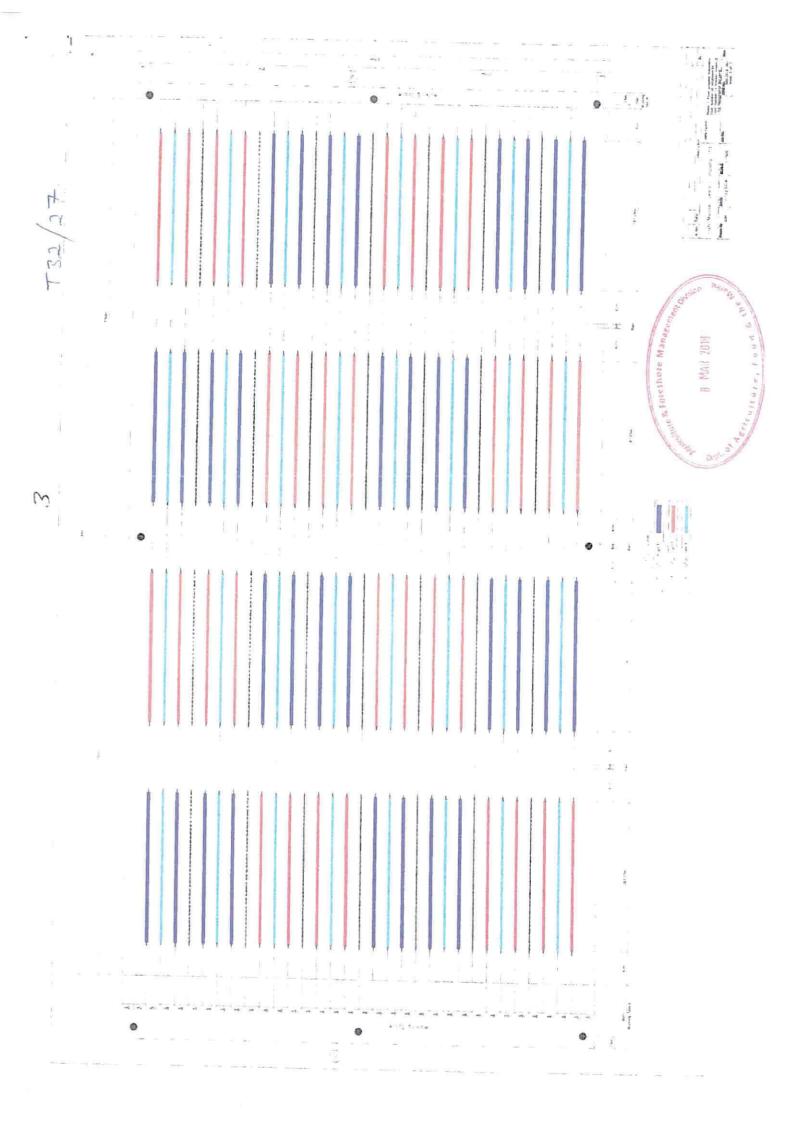
Schedule 2 contains:

• the approved plans and drawing(s)

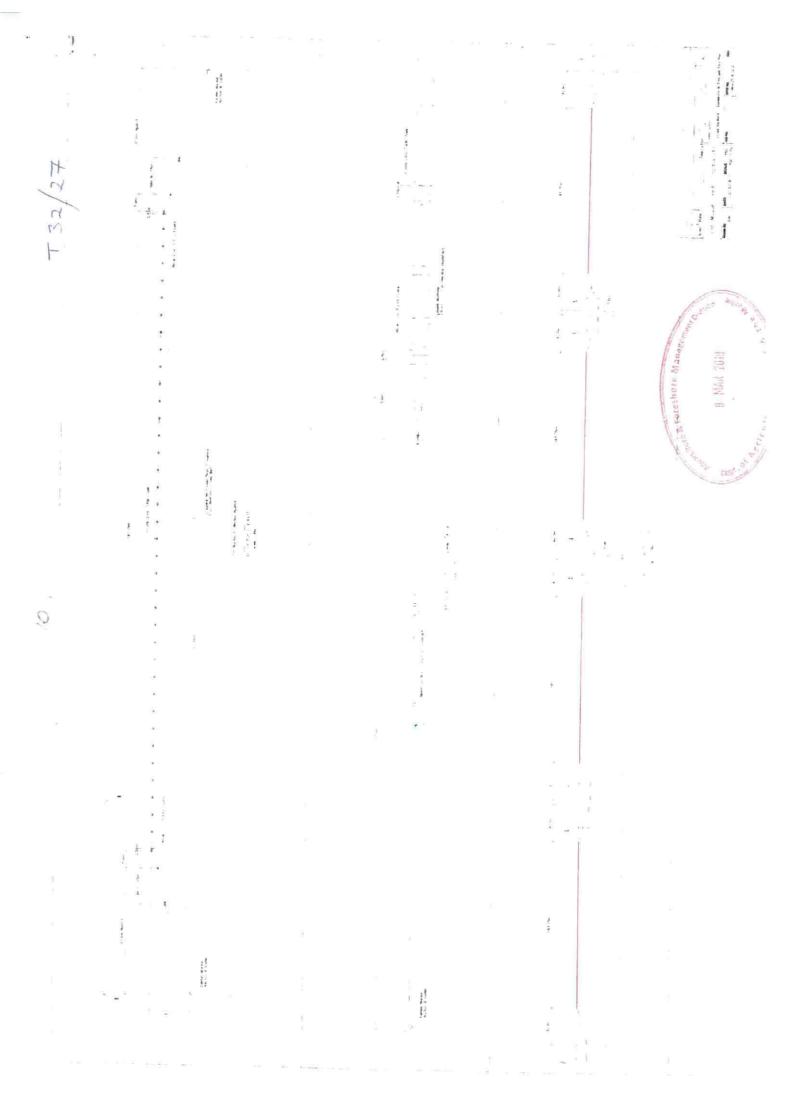


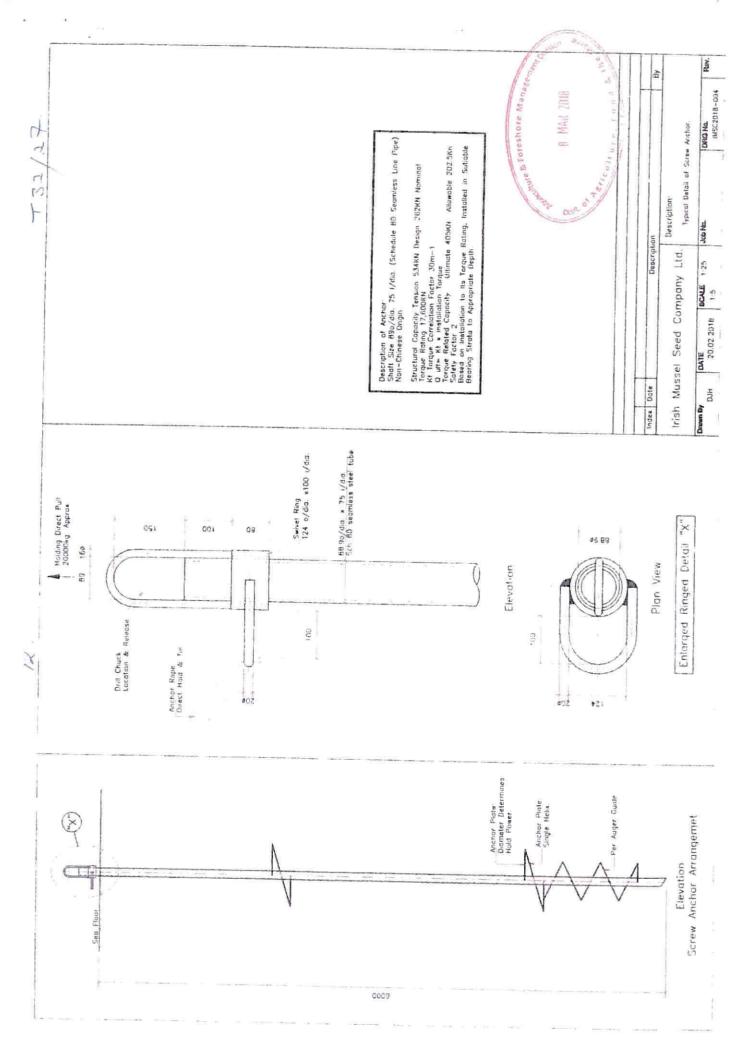






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#### Schedule 3 contains:

- requirements of the MSO and/or CIL
- UK Hydrographic Office to be informed on the site's geographical position at sdr@ukho.gov.ie
- That the applicant secures Statutory Sanction from the Commissioners of Irish Lights for the aids to navigation that may be required by the Marine Survey Office. These aids should be in place before development on the site commences. Statutory sanction forms are available at http://www.irishlights.ie/safety-navigatise...tatutory-sanction.aspx
- The size and specification of aids to exigation should be of her design and specification approved by the Marcon Surrey Office (MSG) and must be agreed in advance with the Commission is of Irish Lights. The MSO requested that idditional buoyagent a focal point be required on the North, South and We resimeter of the re (one extra buoy at the mid-point north and south an (two tra buoys of the west side).

These aids should be in place before development on the site commences

Schedule 4 contains:

- Due to the exposed nature of this location, the site must be operated and maintained as set out in the application documentation including the Code of Practice
- Records of operation and maintenance of the site should be provided on request to the Department.
- Any change to the management and operation of the ste from that outlined in the application documentation must k approved by the Department prior to being implemented.