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To whom it concerns

The Department of Transport in the Republic of Ireland is currently preparing a revision to the 2013 National Ports Policy (<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/4aa3cc-national-ports-policy/>) which currently provides the overarching policy framework for the governance and future development of Ireland's state port network. The 2013 Policy addressed the pressing issues facing the sector at the time and also looked to the future in order to ensure that Irish commercial seaports made a full contribution to facilitating economic recovery and prosperity. Over the subsequent ten years since its implementation, the broad objectives outlined by the policy have been achieved and a revised approach is needed to assist Irish ports with the environmental, technological, demographic, and geopolitical challenges of the next decade – the revised National Ports Policy will therefore build on the 2013 policy.

This correspondence represents the first stage of SEA Scoping of the National Ports Policy and is considered informal transboundary statutory consultation with the relevant environmental authorities in the EU and UK. In this stage of the scoping process we are looking to establish the range of environmental issues and the level of detail to be included in the Environmental Report for the Policy. The SEA Screening Report is attached for your information and we welcome any comments on the questions raised in the report.

We would welcome any written submissions at this stage of the development of the National Ports Policy and these can be made up to the **30th August 2024**. You can make a submission via one of the following options:

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I trust that the above is clear but should you require any additional information or if you wish to discuss any of the attached please do not hesitate to contact me.

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