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Dear Mr Fox,

Able Marine Energy Park Development Consent Order

Thank you for your letter dated 16 April 2013 regarding a request for clarification from the MMO in relation to the proposed Able Marine Energy Park (AMEP) Development Consent Order (DCO) and draft Deemed Marine Licence (DML).

You indicate in your letter that you were not able to open the appendices to the MMO's final written submissions made to the Planning Inspectorate on 23 November 2012. Please therefore find attached a PDF of these submissions, which contain significant amounts of information and narrative in relation to the MMO's comments made at the hearings, and also on the contents of the draft DCO (and specifically the DML).

In relation to your specific point of enquiry relating to the tonnage of gravel that may be allowed to be placed within the berthing pocket at the AMEP site should consent be granted, please note our comment made on Article 6, page 3 of the draft DML (page 16 of the attached PDF document). The MMO did not 'request' that this figure was increased from 250,000 tonnes to 300,000 tonnes. The MMO's comments provided in our submission of 26 October 2012 were that the text should be changed from 'must deposit' to 'is permitted to'. No reference was made to an increase in tonnage allowed.

I trust that this clarifies the MMO's position on this matter, and we would be happy to answer any other queries that you may have in relation to this application.

Yours sincerely,

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