Cork Lower Harbour Main Drainage Project –

APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE UNDER THE FORESHORE ACT 1933 (AS AMENDED)

I refer to the above Foreshore Application and confirm that I have reviewed the following document:

1. Cork Lower Harbour Main Drainage Project - Outfall Upgrade & Repair Works Appropriate Assessment Screening Report
2. Cork Lower Harbour Main Drainage Project – Estuary Crossing Natura Impact Statement

I have also consulted with Dr. Brian Deegan, Ecologist.

For the reasons set out in the Screening Reports listed above, I hereby determine that an Appropriate Assessment (as referred to in Article 6(3) of Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 as amended (the Habitats Directive)) of the Outfall Upgrade & Repair Works are not required as, in view of best scientific knowledge and in view of the conservation objectives of relevant sites, the upgrade and repair works above, individually or in combination with other plans or projects are not likely to have a significant effect on a European Site.

In relation to the Cork Lower Harbour Main Drainage Project Estuary Crossing Natura Impact Statement, given the determination of no residual impacts after predicted impacts have been mitigated, it is considered that the construction and operation of the estuary crossing will not result in significant effects to the conservation objectives or integrity of the Natura 2000 Site considered, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects.

Signed:

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GERRY GALVIN
CHIEF TECHNICAL OFFICER
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DATE: 17th May 2016