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Subject: Assessments for Benchmark proposal

Hi

ASSESSMENTS FOR BENCHMARK PROPOSAL

You will have seen that MS requested some more detail yesterday in relation to the mode of the operation to use the cleantreat vessel for discharging to sea.

You have seen the papers submitted by Benchmark, and you've advised that SEPA considered the ERA to require more info. As I wrote yesterday, MS continues to consider the licensing implications. In the meantime, it would be helpful if SEPA could please advise what more is required of Benchmark in terms of assessments to accompany a licence application and what modelling of discharge SEPA would usually expect to see? I am assuming that the assessments

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are location specific, so without Benchmark identifying a location, it may be difficult to advise. However, if this is the case, it would be better to advise them sooner rather than later.

I hope this makes sense, as it's a novel process where we're relying on SEPA's expert advice as a statutory consultee prior to receiving an actual application. Happy to discuss if you wish in the shorter term or, if after this week please email the copy list as I'm on holiday.

Thanks

Kind regards,