

## Marine Notice No. 66 of 2022

Notice to all Shipowners, Fishing Vessel Owners, Agents, Shipmasters, Skippers, Fishers, Yachtsmen and Seafarers

# Braymore Wind Park – WTG Array and Export Cable Route Geophysical Survey 2022 - North Irish Sea

## 1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised that a geophysical survey will be undertaken in the north Irish Sea to provide site investigation information to facilitate the development of the Braymore Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) Array. The campaign will involve the deployment of towed equipment from survey vessels within the bounds of the area detailed below.

The survey work is anticipated to start at the end of **September 2022** and be completed by early **November 2022**, subject to weather and operational constraints.

#### 2. Location of Activity

The survey campaign will be confined to the proposed Braymore WTG Array site. The Braymore WTG Array area is located approximately 18 km from Dunany Point in Co. Louth at its most northerly point and Braymore Point in Co. Dublin at its most southerly. The survey area is bounded by the following points as shown in Appendix 1:

(Coordinates are presented as WGS 84 Lat / Long in degrees and decimal minutes)

Vertice ID	Latitude	Longitude
A	53° 55' 23.15" N	006° 06' 50.86" W
В	53° 55' 55.45" N	005° 44' 48.12" W
С	53° 41' 37.84" N	006° 05' 46.01" W
D	53° 42' 11.85" N	005° 44' 01.94" W

#### 3. Details of the Survey Vessel

The operations will be conducted by the following vessels:

- "Roman Rebel" (Call sign 2ICA5)
- "Lady Kathleen" (Call sign EIXT2).

As the survey vessels will be restricted in their ability to manoeuvre when surveying, due to the deployment of the towed survey equipment from the vessel for the duration of the survey activities, all vessels operating within this area are requested to keep their distance and pass at minimum speed to reduce vessel wash.

The vessels will display appropriate lights and signals.

The work will be conducted during 24 hr operations on board the "Roman Rebel" and 12 hr operations on board the "Lady Kathleen".

Mariners are advised to keep continuous watch on VHF radio channel 16 when navigating the area.

### 4. Contact Details

Enquiries regarding the contents of this Marine Notice should be directed to SSE Renewables Fisheries Liaison Officer at SSE:

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and are reminded of <u>Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007</u>, which gives general advice in relation to the activities of vessels engaged in survey work for hydrographic, seismic, fishing research and underwater operations.

The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) are implemented in Irish law by the *Merchant Shipping (Collision Regulations) (Ships and Water Craft on the Water) Order 2012* [S.I. No. 507 of 2012] and the *Signals of Distress (Ships) Rules 2012* [S.I. No.170 of 2012]. See Marine Notice No. 06 of 2013. These Statutory Instruments may be purchased by mail order from Government Publications, Office of Public Works, 52 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 6476834/1890-213434. They are also available online at: <a href="https://www.irishstatutebook.ie">www.irishstatutebook.ie</a>.

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Encl: Appendix 1: Braymore WTG Array Geophysical Survey 2022

For any technical assistance in relation to this Marine Notice, please contact:

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