

Dear [REDACTED]

It was good to meet and talk with you in Ballycotton last week, thanks for coming down.

I agree that additional environmental impacts will likely need to be considered as part of the broader monitoring perspective of the Irish Offshore Wind Farm system going forward. This could include, for example, impacts on ecosystem functioning, including primary productivity, in the wake regions of OWFs, as mentioned in the previous email below.

Concerning the monitoring programme, you might consider including modelling studies. They are now a key and necessary component of such programmes: they help us understand how various processes work; shed light on problem areas that put focus on field data collection; and help us understand patterns and impacts observed in the survey data.

I am happy to discuss how I might be able to assist you and contribute to completing the SC and future DMAPs, and to help put in place and achieve policy objectives.

You mentioned you are creating a research group as part of the Irish ORE/OWF programme. I would be happy to be considered to becoming part of that.

Regarding the DECC Research & Innovation Strategy to 2030, I would be happy to assist with aspects of the 5 Goals therein.

Please consider this as a submission to the SC DMAP consulting process. Do contact me with any questions you may have, and I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

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Best regards,

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