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Re: Foreshore applications for investigation works for windfarms and cable laying

Dear Minister Murphy,

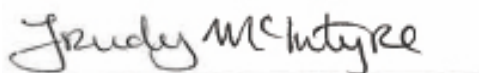
In my capacity of Chair of the National Inshore Fisheries Forum I find myself in the position of having to contact you again following the letter I sent you by email on the 16th of July, 2019 in regard to applications for investigation works for windfarms and cable laying without consultation with the Inshore Fisheries Sector. To date we have received no reply or acknowledgement of that letter from your Department. Please find email and letter attached.

The concerns I expressed in my original letter are still just as relevant and pressing as they were when I wrote to you in July. As stated in our letter of the 16th of July we have found that good communication and consultation in the early stages of an application in regard to windfarms or cable laying have proved effective for both fishermen and the applicants.

We hope that you will now give our letter of the 16th July your due consideration and would be happy to meet with you and/or your Department officials at any time.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,



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NIFF Chair