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THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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Mr. Sam Lambourn NWWRAC Bord Iascaigh Mhara Crofton Road Dun Laoghaire Co Dublin Ireland

Subject: Sole Western Channel – STECF meeting on impact assessment

Dear Mr Lambourn,

I would like to thank the NWWRAC members, and in particular Mr James Portus, for their participation to the STECF meeting on impact assessment held in Copenhagen from 7-11 June 2010.

The contribution of the RAC to the meeting, and the document prepared by Mr. Portus has participated in making it successful and I consider that we are engaged in a constructive and collaborative impact assessment.

The meeting agreed on the options to analyse (F based rules and TAC control), on the starting point, reference points and methodology. Work has furthermore been shared between participants. The report of the scoping meeting will be made available after the STECF plenary in July. Should you have difficulties to access it, please contact Véronique Angot or Anna Zaradna.

The impact assessment meeting will take place in October 2010, the venue and the exact dates are still to be defined.

Once again I would like to thank you for your cooperation in this approach.

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