



## Marine Notice No. 20 of 2023

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

### Setanta Wind Park - Geophysical Survey 2023 in the 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 Setanta Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) Array. The survey work is anticipated to start in **3 April 2023** and be completed by **May 2023**, subject to weather and operational constraints.

#### 2. Location of Activity

The survey campaign will be confined to the proposed Setanta WTG Array site. The Setanta WTG Array site 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 below and in Appendix 1.

Point ID	Latitude	Longitude
A	53° 55' 23.15" N	006° 06' 50.86" W
B	53° 55' 55.45" N	005° 44' 48.12" W
C	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 Vessels

The survey will be conducted by the following survey vessels:

- “Roman Rebel” (call sign **2ICA5**)
- “Lady Kathleen” (call sign **EIXT2**).

During operations, the vessels will be restricted in their ability to manoeuvre due to the deployment of the towed survey equipment. Vessels are requested to leave a wide berth during the operations. The vessels will display appropriate lights and signals.

The work will be conducted during 24-hour operations on board the “Roman Rebel” and 12 hour operations on board the “Lady Kathleen”. Mariners are advised to keep continuous watch on VHF radio channel 16 when navigating the area. A Fisheries Liaison Officer will be available to discuss operations throughout the duration of the survey campaign.

#### 4. Contact Details

Enquiries regarding the contents of this Marine Notice, or any other relevant matters, should be directed to SSE Renewables:

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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and of [Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007](#), 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: [www.irishstatutebook.ie](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie)

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Encl: Appendix 1: Map of the Location

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