

An Bord Pleanála  
64 Marlborough Street  
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Ref: Galway Harbour Company Planning Application 2014

Dear Sir/Madam

I am attaching for information a short submission from Ibec Western Region in support of the Planning Application submitted by Galway Harbour Company in respect of redevelopment of the harbour facility.

I am attaching a cheque for €50 the fee associated with planning submissions.

Yours faithfully



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## **GALWAY HARBOUR REDEVELOPMENT – SUBMISSION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT BY Ibec WESTERN REGION.**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Galway Harbour Company is seeking a ten year planning permission for the development of an extension of Galway Harbour at Renmore and Townparks Townlands and on lands to be reclaimed from the foreshore and the sea in Galway Bay to the south of the existing Galway Harbour Enterprise Park.

The proposed development will include the relocation of the majority of the existing harbour related activities and businesses to the new deep water berths, quays, jetties and yards to be located at the harbour extension.

The proposed development will include:-

- quay walls, breakwaters and wave walls to create commercial quays and a deep water docking facility, extending southwards into Galway Bay

- dredging to create a new approach channel to the commercial quays and deep water docking facility berths

- reclamation of approx. 27 ha from the foreshore and sea bed

- construction of new oil and bitumen transfer pipelines, road improvements, rail link, harbour related buildings and landscaped areas

The application is being made directly to An Bord Pleanála in accordance with Section 37E of the Planning & Development Act 2000 as amended by the Planning and Development (Strategic Infrastructure) Act 2006, the Planning & Development (Amendment) Act 2010 and the Environment [Miscellaneous Provisions] Act 2011.

- Facilities in the new port are designed to accommodate maritime research ships, including the current research fleet operated by the Maritime Institute and located in Galway.

On the basis of these considerations, Ibec urges the Board to approve to the proposed Galway Harbour development.

Ibec Regions Unit  
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