From: Thomas Bell
Sent: 30 October 2008 13:11
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Subject: Port of Tyne disposal of contaminated dredge material at Souter Point

Dear David,

RE: FEPA Act 1985 – Port of Tyne Authority – Disposal of Capital Dredgings from River Tyne to Souter Point, Winter 2004 - 05

You may remember that the Marine Conservation Society (MCS) contacted you a few years ago with regard to the above sea disposal trial of contaminated sediment dredged from the Port of Tyne docks in early 2005. We were aware at the time that the North Eastern Sea Fisheries Committee had raised a number of objections with Defra about the trial and been over ruled. Among other things there was a suggestion from the Committee that temporary fisheries exclusion zones might need to be established both during and throughout the lifetime of the project.

MCS is now following the review stages of this trial and I was wondering if the Sea Fisheries Committee has produced an impact assessment or holds any view as to the consequences of this disposal operation on local fisheries?

With thanks for any help that you can give in this matter,

Kind regards,

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