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Sea Disposal Trials of Contaminated Tyne Estuary Sediment
FEPA Variation Licence 31995/04/1

Dear Thomas

Further to our telephone conversation this morning, please find attached the monitoring protocol agreed with the Port of Tyne in relation to the dredging works associated with the above trial.

Also, I can confirm that Agency Officers are not involved in on-site supervision or monitoring of the work. This role is being carried out by DEFRA who have officers on board the vessels involved.

We have no information concerning the physical nature of the dredged material and so cannot comment on the observations you have received. A progress meeting between this Agency and the Port of Tyne is scheduled to take place shortly at which we will be seeking reassurance that our protocols and procedures are operating effectively.

I hope the attached information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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