

NOTICE TO MARINERS

No. 10 – 16th April 2025

Sub: Geotechnical Survey - Offshore Al Jazeera, Ras Al Khaimah

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This Notice to Mariners has been issued on behalf of *M/s. Van Oord Middle East Ltd*, who scheduled to conduct Geotechnical survey at the various locations offshore *Al Jazeera* from 20th – 30th Apr 2025. Survey will be conducted by *Multicat Bardsey Island* during day-light hours using Vibrocore technique. Survey is weather dependant and subject to delay. Vibrocore locations boundary shown in the below drawing:



Vibrocoreing at a single location can take anywhere from 30 minutes to a few hours, which includes deployment, extract the core and retrieve the device.

- Shallow cores (few meters): Around 30 to 60 minutes.
- Deeper cores (10-20 meters): 1 to 3 hours or more, depending on conditions.

During the survey, *Multicat Bardsey Island* will be restricted her manoeuvrability and she will maintain constant listing watch on VHF Channel 16 and 12. Multicat will be in regular contact with VTS and keep update about her intended movements.

Thus, all the vessels transiting the area must keep a sharp lookout and are requested to maintain a safe distance of minimum 1.5 NM from survey vessel. Any vessel intending to enter within 1.5NM radius of survey vessel are required to liaise directly with vessel on VHF.

Plants and Equipment utilised for Survey :

- ❖ Multicat *Bardsey Island* (IMO 9509102)
- ❖ Hydraulic vibrocoring equipment



Figure: Bardsey Island



Figure: Vibrocore overboard

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