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FMPG/2021/18



By email to: 

13 October, 2021

Dear 

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 (FOISA)

Thank you for your request dated 24th August 2021 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked the following:

1. What is the total length of piping in each ship as designed?
2. Does the information available to Mr Hair now enable the total length remaining for each ship to be categorised in 'Small', 'Medium', and 'Large'?
3. Taken with the information about 'spools' in your reply FMPG/2021/009 the reported statement of 10km of piping leads to an average of 1m of pipe per spool. Is that approximate calculation broadly, correct?
4. How many spools remain to be installed in each of 801 and 802?



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5. For each month from January 2021 how many spools per month have been installed (welded, in place, and fully bracketed as required) in each of Ships 801 and 802?
6. How many trained orbital welding machine operators does FMPG have? How many are contractor or agency staff?
7. May I have images of the most and the least complete machinery spaces in Ship 801 and the corresponding spaces in Ship 802?

Response to your request

Please find our response to your request for information:

1. In May 2021 you asked essentially the same question and I attach a copy of our response dated 18th June 2021 for your attention.
2. The situation is the same as that described in our answer dated 18th June 2021
3. This calculation is broadly correct.
4. This information is commercially sensitive and therefore not suitable for release under FOI.
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6. Ferguson Marine does not currently utilise orbital welding machines.
7. This information is commercially sensitive and therefore not suitable for release under FOI.

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your FOI request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by writing to:

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Your review request will be forwarded to the appropriate reviewer. You should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and your request should be made within 40 working days from the date when

you received this letter. We will complete the review and tell you the result, within 20 working days from the date when we receive your review request.

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Yours sincerely,



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18th June 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 (FOISA)

Thank you for your request dated 25th May 2021 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA).

Your request

You asked the following:

1. What is the total length of piping expected to be installed in each of Ships 801 and 802 on completion? Can it be broken down into say three ranges of pipe size viz Small (say up to 25mm), medium (say 25-75mm), and Large (say over 75mm). What is the % completion of piping in each vessel at present?
2. What is FM(PG)'s average weekly employment in FY 2019/2020 and 2020/2021? What % of total man-weeks of industrial work was by non-British nationals not resident in the UK in each of these FY's?



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Please find our response to your request for information:

1. The business procures pipes in manufactured "spools" which are sections of pipe uniquely manufactured for each part of a system. The spools are tracked through the design, procurement, manufacture and installation process. Material take off's are provided to the manufacturers but it is split up into the various procurement packages so would be a significant effort to combine all of the files and extract the information for the whole ship.

We do keep a spool register to track International Contract Engineering (ICE) designed spools (small bore site run pipes are excluded). There are 6,582 spools currently on this list. Vera Navis (VN), a design contractor used by FMEL, also designed pipework totalling 3,512 spools for each vessel. The total number of pipe spools for each vessel is therefore 10,094.

Less than 3% of ICE spools are less than 25mm, 76% are medium (between 25 and 75mm) and 21% are large.

The coding for the VN spools does not lend itself to extracting a count by pipe diameter, this data is therefore not available to provide.

2. Please see table below showing the average weekly employment in Financial Years 2019/2020 and 2020/2021:

Financial Period	Average Weekly Employment (Directly Employed)
1 st April 2019 to 31 st March 2020*	320
1 st April 2020 to 31 st March 2021	347

*Please note that for financial period 2019/2020, the weekly employment data has been provided from 2nd December 2019. Although the date of incorporation was 9th August 2019, trading was managed through the Administrators until 2nd December 2019, at which point staff tupe transferred to Ferguson Marine (Port Glasgow) Ltd and data has been reported from this date.

For the avoidance of doubt, the information provided relates to people who are directly employed. These are employees who have a contract of employment with Ferguson Marine (Port Glasgow) Ltd.

I can confirm that, based on directly employed labour, the percentage of man-weeks of industrial work carried out by non-British nationals not resident in the UK in each of the financial periods above is zero.

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Yours sincerely,

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FOI Officer