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## STATEMENT OF IMPARTIALITY

In order that all stakeholders can have confidence in our inspection, certification and consultancy activities, Leask Marine Limited is always fully committed to conducting its business affairs in a fair and impartial manner, and with avoidance of undue influence arising from conflicts of interest.

Leask Marine Ltd therefore applies the following business principles to maintain impartiality from our inspection, certification and consultancy with all other commercial activities:

- objectivity
- independence
- neutrality
- fairness
- open-mindedness
- even-handedness

Leask Marine Ltd also recognises the following potential threats to impartiality:

- financial factors
- conflicts of interest
- self-interest
- self-review
- bias
- prejudice
- familiarity
- intimidation, internal or external
- financial or other inducement

The primary function of the Managing Director is to ensure that the business is committed to safeguarding impartiality by:

- developing the policies relating to the impartiality of our activities,
- counteracting any tendency on the part of Leask Marine Ltd to allow commercial or other considerations to prevent the consistent objective provision of our activities,
- advising on matters affecting confidence in activities, including openness and stakeholder perception, and to review the impartiality of the inspection, certification, consultancy and decision-making processes of the business.

Leask Marine Ltd will always conduct all business in a responsible corporate manner.

Signed:

Name: Douglas Leask, Managing Director

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Date: 1st January 2024