

Notice to Mariners, Portaferry, 25th November 2011.

Swedish tidal energy company Minesto has now finished this period of testing of a scale model of the Deep Green kite tidal power plant, in Strangford Lough, Ballyhenry Bay, about 1.5 km northwest of Portaferry, Co. Down.

All surface equipment is now removed from the test area, but sea floor chains, mooring blocks and under water structures are still in place ready for future test periods during 2012.

There is now a South Cardinal Mark buoy moored on the following position in the south end of the test area.

Latitude 54° 23.278' N

Longitude 05° 33.978' W

The buoy is cone shaped, yellow and black, with diameter 0.9 m, total height 1.3 m including top mark, and has a 2 nm light positioned 0.9 meters above the surface. The color of the light is white and the character is Q(6)+LFI 15s.

The various underwater equipment and structures extend up to 15 meters south, east end west of the buoy and up to 60 meters northwest, north and northeast of the buoy.

It is advised that no anchoring, fishing or similar, or conducting of larger/deeper vessels is done within the above stated area.

Best regards,
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