

From: Matthew Barbati-Ross <Matthew.Barbati-Ross@mfe.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 17 March 2026 1:21 pm
To: Bonnie.Hartfield@mfe.govt.nz; Matt.Adams@mfe.govt.nz
Subject: RE: **CLASSIFICATION** Update re: GB meeting note

Kia ora – please can you give me a quick buzz on this.

Kā mihi, Matthew

Matthew Barbati-Ross (he/him)

Manager | Kaiwhakahaere

Marine Policy Team | Kaupapahere Moana

Ministry for the Environment | Manatū Mō Te Taiao

9(2)(a) | matthew.barbati-ross@mfe.govt.nz | mfe.govt.nz

Ministry staff work flexibly by default. For me, this means I work from Te Pātaka-o-Rākaihautū/Banks Peninsula.



Ministry for the
Environment
Manatū Mō Te Taiao



From: Bonnie Hartfield <Bonnie.Hartfield@mfe.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 17 March 2026 1:14 pm

To: Matthew Barbati-Ross <Matthew.Barbati-Ross@mfe.govt.nz>; Matt Adams <Matt.Adams@mfe.govt.nz>

Subject: **CLASSIFICATION** Update re: GB meeting note

Kia ora Matthew,

Matt and I have just had a chat with Aaron around the meeting note for Minister Simmonds. I thought I'd flick you an email to update you on some additional products he has requested:

1. We will be providing 4-5 points for Martin/Tash to speak to the Minister about during her officials meeting on Tuesday.
He is keen for these to re-iterate our requests for information and how many times officials have met with Gigablue.
2. Aaron has asked us to develop a plan for an independent contractor to assess Gigablue's documentation. He has confirmed this would come out of his budget but provided no further detail.

If you have any questions, please flick Matt or I a message or call.

Ngā mihi,

Bonnie

Bonnie Hartfield [\(she/her\)](#)

Advisor | Kaitohutohu

Marine Policy | Kaupapahere Moana

Natural Environment Policy | Te Rōpū Te Whakahaere Taiao me te Urutau

Ministry for the Environment | Manatū Mō Te Taiao

environment.govt.nz

Ministry staff work flexibly by default. This means I work in the office/at home from 8:30 – 4:30.

