



APPENDIX 4: SEABED FEATURES AND HABITATS

Seabed photographs and sampling

The seafloor around the Athena field is generally flat. The topography is dominated by numerous pockmark features of 1-2m depth and up to 10m width. Seabed photos showed a sandy mud substrate with evidence of burrowing infauna (including Nephrops) and a sparse epifauna. Observed epifauna included sepiens, hermit crabs and anemones.