

**An Bord Achomhairc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe
Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board**



Emerald Mussels Ltd.
Greencastle Road,
Moville,
Co. Donegal.

14 August 2020

Our Ref: AP22/2020
Site Ref: T01/082A

Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to refuse to grant an Aquaculture Licence for the cultivation of mussels using bottom culture on the sub-tidal foreshore at Site Ref T01/082A in Carlingford Lough, Co. Louth.

Dear Sirs,

I refer to the Notice of Appeal regarding the above decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

The Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board ("the Board") has concluded its determination of the above appeal and has determined, pursuant to section 40(4)(a) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997, (as amended) to **confirm** the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to refuse to grant an Aquaculture Licence for the cultivation of mussels using bottom culture on the sub-tidal foreshore at Site Ref T01/082A in Carlingford Lough, Co. Louth.

The reasons for the Board's determination are set out in detail in the Determination dated 14 August 2020, a copy of which is enclosed with this letter.

A copy of the Board's Technical Advisor's report referred to in the Determination is available on the ALAB website.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mary O'Hara'.

Mary O'Hara
Secretary to the Board