

Mr Charlie McConalogue TD
Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
Agriculture House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

17 April 2024

Our Ref: AP5/2020 Site Ref: T12/409B

Re: Appeal by Save Ballyness Bay S.A.C Action Group against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant with variation an Aquaculture License to Edward & Paul O'Brien to cultivate Pacific Oysters using bags and trestles & Clams on wooden trays under mesh on the inter-tidal/sub-tidal foreshore on site ref T12/409B in Ballyness Bay, County Donegal.

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In light of this, the Board hereby gives notice, as provided for in Section 56(3) of the Act of its intention to determine the Appeal by 31 May 2024.

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