An Roinn Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine

Marine Engineering Division

Addendum Report

Application Reference No: T06-202

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Purpose
This addendum report has been prepared in response to information provided to Marine Engineering Division (MED) arising from the public and statutory consultation for this aquaculture application and the applicant's response to queries raised in the MED report of 12 April 2024.

Public and Statutory Consultation
MED has reviewed the public and statutory consultation information provided in the context of the MED report of the 12 April 2024. MED has no additional comments or observations on this information that differ from the content of the 12 April 2024 report.

Applicant's Response to MED Report
MED has reviewed the applicant's response of 18 April 2024 to the MED report of 12 April 2024 and has the following comments.
The applicant's response includes an Underwater Inspection Report of 01 December 2016 which does not identify the location of the pens surveyed, nor does it indicate the clearance under the pens inspected or how the pen located at Sectional Reference C-E of this application relates to the Underwater Inspection Report.
The applicant advises that the site has been operational by MOWI since 2008 without any incident relating to the clearance under the nets at this site and this concurs with MED inspections of the site over the years.
MED is of the opinion that the structures as applied for are acceptable for licencing purposes, however it will be a condition of any licence issued that the site comply with the Protocol for Structural Design of Marine Finfish Farms. This will require a detailed design statement by a Competent Person for approval which should include a review of the clearance between net and seabed under all tidal and wave conditions.
MED recommends ongoing inspection of all pen netting as specified in the operational procedures outlined in the application documentation, with records to be maintained on site and furnished to DAFM on request.
It is noted that clarification has been provided that Travara Pier, Co. Cork is the main service pier for this site and that Cork County Council have been consulted regarding the application.

Marine Engineering Division has no objection to the licencing of this site subject to the above.