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Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board

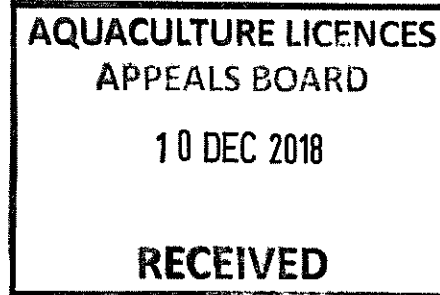


# Supplemental EIS Submission

from BIM

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Aquaculture Licence Appeals Board  
Kilminchy Court  
Dublin Road  
Portlaoise  
Co Laois  
R32 DTW5



Ref: AP2/1-14/2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

BIM wishes to make the following observations in relation to the supplemental environmental impact statement in connection with the appeal of an application for an aquaculture and foreshore licence at Shot Head, Bantry Bay, Co Cork.

The importance and market potential of aquaculture has been recognised by the EU and domestically under Food Wise 2025, the National Research Prioritisation Exercise and the integrated marine plan "Harnessing our Ocean Wealth". In particular the farmed Irish organic salmon market is undersupplied. Prices for organic salmon remain relatively high and have been very stable, not following the volatility of the spot market, demonstrating the strong consumer demand.

BIM is supportive of the sustainable development of the salmon farming industry in Ireland to meet this high market demand and create jobs in rural and coastal areas.

Having examined the contents of the supplemental environmental impact statement, we note that both outstanding issues have been addressed in a comprehensive manner and we accept the findings of the report.

Yours Faithfully,



Jim O'Toole  
Chief Executive