## An Bord Achomharc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board



Gerald McCarthy Cromane Lower Killorglin Co. Kerry

2 January 2019

Our Ref: AP/41/2018 Site Ref: T6/458

Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to refuse to grant an Aquaculture and Foreshore Licence to Gerald McCarthy, for the cultivation of Pacific Oysters using bags and trestles at Castlemaine Harbour, Co. Kerry on Site T06/458

Dear Mr McCarthy,

I refer to your Appeal which was received on 5 November 2018.

Section 56(2)(a) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997 requires that the Board endeavour to determine an Appeal within a period of four months beginning on the date of receipt by the Board of the Notice of Appeal. The Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board reviewed this timescale at its meeting on 22 January last and has formed the view it will not be in position to determine this Appeal by that date, due to the complexity of the matters which require to be determined as part of the Appeal.

Accordingly the Board hereby gives notice, as provided for in Section 56(3) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997, that this Appeal will not be determined by 4 March 2019 for the reason specified above. It is the intention of the Board that the Appeal will be determined by 28 February 2020.

This notice is being copied to all parties to the Appeal.

Yours sincerely

Mary O'Hara

Secretary to the Board