

An Bord Achomharc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe
Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board



Mr Michael Creed TD
Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
Agriculture House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

6 February 2020

Our Ref: AP45/2018
Site Ref: T5/591

Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant Aquaculture and Foreshore Licences to Wild Atlantic Sea Products Ltd., South Allihies, Allihies, Beara, Co Cork, Site Ref T5/591 for the cultivation of seaweeds using a longline grid system on a site on the foreshore adjacent to Bank Harbour, Castletownbere, Bantry Bay, Co. Cork

Dear Ms McManus,

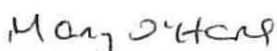
I refer to my letter of 25 January 2019 in which the Board indicated it anticipated this Appeal would be determined by 28 February 2020.

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 31st January 2020 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 28 February 2020 for the reason specified above. It is the intention of the Board that the Appeal will be determined by 30 June 2020.

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

Yours sincerely


Mary O'Hara
Secretary to the Board