

AG Oysters 225 New Lodge Road, Belfast BT15 2BY Northern Ireland

15 October 2018

Our Ref:

AP7-8/2018

Site Ref:

T3/87A, T3/88A,B & C, T3/86A, B & C, T3/96

Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to refuse to grant an Aquaculture and Foreshore licence for the cultivation of Oysters using bags and trestles on the foreshore on Sites T3/86A, B & C, T3/87A, T3/88A, B & C and T3/96 in Bannow Bay, Co Wexford

Dear Mr Geay,

I refer to my letter of 5 September regarding your appeal.

The Board had previously received 3 appeals against decisions by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to refuse licences on Sites T3/86A, B & C, T3/87A, T3/88A, B & C, in the same bay as the proposed licence under appeal in this case.

The Board considered the additional appeal at its meeting on 9 October 2018. Having done so the Board has decided to exercise the discretion granted to it pursuant to section 42 of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997, treat two or more appeals as, and the appellants as parties to, a single appeal. Accordingly the new appeal shall be consolidated with the existing appeals (AP7/1-3/2018) and it is the intention of the board to determine all the appeals together.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 44(1) of the Act, copies of the other appeals (AP7/1-3/2018) received by the Board are attached. Section 44(2) of the Act entitles the Minister and each other party, except the Appellant, to make submissions or observations in writing to the Board in relation to the appeals within a period of one month beginning on the day on which a copy of the Notice of Appeal is sent to that party by the Board. If you wish to make any submissions or observations in relation to these other appeals, this must be made in writing and received by the Board on or before 14 November 2018, being the period of one month from the date of this letter. Submissions or observations received by the Board after that date shall not be considered by it.

Please note particularly that you are not entitled to elaborate in writing on, or make further submissions in writing in relation to the grounds of appeal stated in your notice of appeal or to submit further grounds of appeal, and any such elaboration, submissions or further grounds of

appeal received by the Board shall not be considered by it. This is provided for in Section 41(3) of the Act.

The Board reviewed the timescale for determination of these appeals and has formed the view it will not be in position to determine this Appeal by 29 December 2018, due to the inclusion of the new appeal.

Accordingly the Board hereby gives notice, as provided for in Section 56(3) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997, that these Appeals will not be determined by 29 December 2018 for the reason specified above. It is the intention of the Board that the Appeals will be determined by 30 June 2019.

The Board has not yet determined whether to accede to the request for an oral hearing. I shall be in touch with you further once the Board has determined whether or not an oral hearing is required.

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

Yours sincerely

Mary D'Harp

Mary O'Hara Secretary to the Board



Hook Head Shellfish Ltd Ramstown Fethard on Sea New Ross Co Wexford Y34 XF20

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To whom it concerns,

I refer to my letter of 3 September regarding the consolidation of 3 appeals that were received in relation to the above licences.

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Mr Eugene Fitzpatrick Fitzpatrick Oysters Ltd Tallaught Saltmills New Ross Co Wexford

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Mr Tomás Ffrench SBS Ltd Danescastle Carrig-on-Bannow Co Wexford

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cc Mr John Quinlan, Aquaculture and Foreshore Management Division Encs.