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



6th December 2019

Your Ref: AP22/2019

Ms Mary O'Hara
Secretary to the Board
Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board
Kilminchy Court, Dublin Road
Portlaoise
Co. Laois.

Dear Mary

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 21/11/19 to Mr. Michael Creed T.D., Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine (and copied to Mr. John Quinlan) which was received by the Department on 25/11/19, regarding the appeal against the decision to refuse to grant a renewal Aquaculture Licence to Kush Seafarms Ltd in relation to site **T06/179B** within Dunkerron Harbour, Upper Kenmare Bay, Co. Kerry.

I am attaching the following documentation:-

- 1. Copies of reports received in relation to the application,
- 2. Copy of the applicant's reply to the public and statutory comments,
- 3. Copy of the submission to the Minister,
- 4. Copy of the notification of Minister's decision to the applicant,
- 5. Location map of the surrounding area including the following:
 - Sites under application
 - Licensed sites
 - Sites currently under appeal (if any).

Please also see below three hyperlinks to the Department's website where (1) the application form, maps and drawings, (2) the Appropriate Assessment of Aquaculture and Fisheries Risk Assessment in Kenmare River SAC and (3) the Conclusion statement, may be found (as these are too large to transmit by email).

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 The application form, maps and drawings:https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/media/migration/seafood/aquacultureforeshoremanage ment/aquaculturelicensing/aquacultureforeshorelicenceapplications/kerry/T06179BKu shSeafarmsLtdApplicationFormMapsandDrawings290319.pdf

• The Appropriate Assessment of Aquaculture and Fisheries Risk Assessment in Kenmare River SAC:-

https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/media/migration/seafood/aquacultureforeshoremanage ment/aquaculturelicensing/aquacultureforeshorelicenceapplications/cork/2019/Approp AssessofAquacultandFisheriesRiskAssessinKenmareRiverSAC270319.pdf

Conclusion Statement covering Kenmare Bay:-

https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/media/migration/scafood/aquacultureforeshoremanage ment/aquaculturelicensing/appropriateassessmentconclusionstatement/2019new/App AssessmentConStatement%20AquacultureActivitiesKenmareRiverSAC090919.pdf

If you require anything further please let me know.

Yours sincerely

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