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Site Ref(s): T12/549

Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, to grant aquaculture and foreshore licences for the cultivation of Pacific oysters using bags and trestles on the intertidal and/or subtidal foreshore at site ref(s) T12/549 in Trawbreaga Bay, Co. Donegal.

To whom it may concern,

We, as licensees of the above-named site in Trawbreaga Bay, Co. Donegal, would like to provide an observation on the appeal against the granting of our licences by Crocknagee Oysters Ltd (Dec 2019).

The appeal by Crocknagee Oysters Ltd (Derek Diver) against the above licence in Trawbreaga Bay rests on the fact that their appeals (on the basis of reduction of site size) aren't being dealt with. It should be noted that most farmers in the bay have had their site size reduced, for the sites in question and also applications in the past, to approximately 1 hectare and have respected these reductions.

This appears to be an issue between Crocknagee Oysters Ltd and the Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board and/or the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, and we trust that this will not further delay the issuing of our licences, upon which approximately 5 full time and a further 2 seasonal jobs rely.

Yours faithfully,

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