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Independent Review of Aquaculture Licencing,
Ms Deirdre Morgan, Secretary,
Dept. of Aquaculture Food & The Marine National Seafood Centre,
Clonakilty,
Co.Cork.

Re : Independent Review of Aquaculture Licencing Process.

Dear Ms Morgan,

The above two companies have been involved in the aquaculture industry for the past 15 years, are based primarily in the Beara peninsula and the main activity being the provision of well boat services to fish farms located mainly in Ireland and occasionally outside of Ireland eg.,Scotland and France.

We employ 5 fulltime staff all who live in the area with their families, and due to the peripheral location of the area this is very positive for the prevention of social isolation, the maintenance of rural services and the future of community life.

Our company is a strong contributor to the local economy of Beara. Most of the materials/supplies and repairs are sourced either in the Beara peninsula or within the greater West Cork area and are listed hereunder.

Service Providers- Located in Beara

Harbour Engineering Products, Dinish, Castletownbere

Beara Iron Works Eyeries Beara

Sheehans Marine Supplies, Castletownbere

Swan Net Lifeboat & Safety Supplies, Castletownbere

Super Valu, Castletownbere

Berehaven Marine Supplies, Castletownbere

Limar Electrical, The Square, Castletownbere

Paul O'Connor, Electrician, Castletownbere

Crowley Fire & Safety, Faha, Adrigole, Beara

Noel Kelly, Welding Supplies, Allihies

Webb Computers Castletownbere

South West Communications Castletownbere

J Cumeen Engine Repairs Tuosist

Bere Island Boatyard, Bere Island

Service Providers – Located in West Cork

Biggs Oil, Bantry & Beara Oil

Cronin Commercials, Derrinachara, Dunmanway

Bandon Rewinds & Electrical , Bandon

Other Service Providers- various locations

KER – Killybegs , Electrical Refrigeration

C Gallagher Marine Killybegs

Barry Electronics Killybegs
MMG Welding, Killybegs
Coastal Hydraulics, Donegal
MJ Marshall Technical Services Killarney
Pat Rynn, Engineering, Galway
Galway Oil, Inishowen Oil & Barbour Oils, Scotland
Fornanes Products, Denmark

An analysis of the company's average cost base over the past three years finds that 72% of the company's total expenditure was spent within the Beara or West Cork area. Some of the costs eg., Insurance which in 2015 was 11% of our cost base is only provided by specialists who operate outside of the local area. The figures above demonstrate the importance and contribution our business makes to the local Beara area and the benefit that would accrue to the economy should the Aquaculture industry be allowed expand without inordinate delays due to licensing issues.

We trust the Committee will be successful in identifying the positive changes required to enable the aquaculture industry move forward and the success will be felt all other supporting business.

I trust this information is satisfactory.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Claire O'Sullivan
Director
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