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Dear Mairi

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE – MARINE
FISH FARMING**

I refer to your correspondence of 29 August 2018 certifying notice of Western Isles Council's intention to adopt the above Supplementary Guidance.

Scottish Ministers give notice that the Supplementary Guidance 'Marine Fish Farming' may not be adopted until modifications specified in Annex A to this notice have been made.

These modifications are required to ensure accurate referencing to the status of the National Marine Plan is made (in light of The Marine (Scotland) Act 2010) and to highlight the commitment given to bring forward revised Marine Fish Farming Supplementary Guidance for adoption within 6 months of adoption of the LDP.

We would also wish to provide assistance with the preparation of the forthcoming revised Marine Fish Farming Supplementary Guidance and are keen to do so at the earliest opportunity to support the timescale in the modification being achieved.

Yours sincerely

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ANNEX A – WESTERN ISLES COUNCIL - SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE – MARINE FISH FARMING

MODIFICATIONS TO BE MADE

Page 2 – Below heading '**CONTEXT**':

Insert wording - 'This Supplementary Guidance is adopted on an interim basis. Revised Supplementary Guidance on Marine Fish Farming will be brought forward for adoption within 6 months of adoption of the Outer Hebrides LDP (2018).'

Page 2 – '**CONTEXT**'. Amend wording as follows:

~~Remove wording – 'This Supplementary Guidance provides the detailed framework for the Outer Hebrides Local Development Plan Policy E14 Fish Farming and Marine Planning which states:~~

~~*In reaching planning decisions, the Comhairle will have regard to the National Marine Plan and subsequent Regional Marine Spatial Plans in so far as they impact within the inter-tidal zone and on the wider coastal zone.'*~~

Insert wording – 'In reaching planning decisions, the Comhairle will take decisions in accordance with the National Marine Plan and subsequent Regional Marine Spatial Plans in so far as they impact within the inter-tidal zone and on the wider coastal zone.'