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Dear Mr Johnson,

WARNING LETTER: Satisfactory Measures in Place for the Prevention, Control and Reduction of Parasites

Sea Lice Management and Reporting

As you will be aware the Scottish aquaculture industry are required to have satisfactory controls in place for the prevention, control and reduction of parasites under Part 1 of the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007.

Grieg Seafood Shetland Ltd have submitted weekly counts for average adult female sea lice per fish at fish farm sites which are equal to or above the reporting level of 3.0. This data shows that the average adult female sea lice numbers per fish have been above the intervention limit of \geq 8.0 on four consecutive weeks (calendar weeks 41 – 44) at the following site:

• East of Papa Little (FS1278)

Future Actions and Potential Enforcement

As a consequence of the recent reporting and in accordance with our enforcement regime, you are advised that, if the weekly average adult female sea lice count per fish is not brought below 8.0 in two weeks, an enforcement notice will be issued as Grieg Seafood Shetland Ltd will not have demonstrated that satisfactory measures are in place for the prevention, control and reduction of parasites at the site mentioned above.

In addition, please provide the Fish Health Inspectorate with the explicit action plan as soon as possible, which will aim to achieve this reduction in weekly average adult female sea lice count per fish by 19/11/2017. The Fish Health Inspectorate can be contacted by email at ms.fishhealth@gov.scot, Tel 0131 244 3498.







Further information regarding the regulation of sea lice in Scotland can be found at: http://www.gov.scot/Topics/marine/Publications/TopicSheets/tslist/sealiceregs

Yours sincerely

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