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21 February 2024

Our Refs: AP34/2019 (S46 01.2024) Site Refs: T03/30E

Re: Appeal by Birdwatch Ireland against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine in relation to an Aquaculture Licence to T.L Mussels Ltd for the bottom cultivation of mussels on Site T03/30E on the foreshore at Wexford Harbour.

Dear Ms Duggan

We refer to ALAB's Section 46 request dated 31 January 2024 in respect of the above appeal requesting a response by no later than 1st March 2024.

ALAB has acceded to requests from a number of parties in appeal refs: AP34, 38 to 48/2019 to extend the time for a response to similar Section 46 requests from 1^{st} March 2024 to 1^{st} May 2024.

It accordingly considered it appropriate to extend the time for a response to all Section 46 requests which have issued in similar terms in appeals refs. AP34-48/2019.

Any submissions or observations in response to the Section 46 request issued to you must accordingly now be received by ALAB not later than **1st May 2024**. If they are not received before the expiration of this period the Board will, without further reference to you, determine the appeal.

Please ensure to quote the following reference: AP34/2019 (S46 01.2024) in your reply.

If you require any further information, please contact me in writing, by email or by phone - The Secretary, Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board, Kilminchy Court, Dublin Road, Portlaoise, Co Laois. R32 DTW5, Email: info@alab.ie. Phone: (057)8631912.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Carton Secretary to the Board

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