An Bord Achomharc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board



Save Ballyness Bay S.A.C Action Group, c/o Mr John Connaghan,



24 March 2020

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Site Ref:

T12/409B

Re: Appeal against the decision by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant a variation Aquaculture and Foreshore Licence to Edward and Paul O'Brien for authorisation to cultivate clams on wooden trays under mesh (T12/409A) and Pacific Oyster using bags and trestles & Clams on wooden trays under mesh (T12/409B) on the inter-tidal/sub-tidal foreshore on site refs T12/409A and T12/409B in Ballyness Bay, Co. Donegal

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