



30 May 2023

Our Ref:

AP2/1-2/2023

Site Ref:

T09/093

Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant an Aquaculture Licence to The Marine Institute to cultivate various species of finfish, shellfish and seaweed for research purposes on the foreshore on site T09/093 at Lehannah Pool, Bertraghboy Bay, Co. Galway



I refer to the above Appeal which was received in this Office on 7 February 2023.

Section 56(2)(a) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997 (as amended) requires that the Board endeavour to determine an Appeal within a period of four months beginning on the date of receipt by the Board of the Notice of Appeal.

The Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board reviewed this timescale at its meeting on 25 May 2023 and has formed the view that it will not be in position to determine this Appeal within that timeframe. An extension of time is required to allow for an assessment of all areas listed under Section 61 of the Act, to consider whether an EIA exemption was correctly given in this case and whether the assessment of Natura 2000 sites was sufficient. A site visit will also be required.

Given the reasons outlined in the previous paragraph, the Board hereby gives notice, as provided for in Section 56(3) of the Act, of its intention to determine the Appeal by 31 May 2024.

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Yours sincerely

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