



(Date)

MAFF Ref: (xxxx)
Landfile: (xxxxxxx)

(Company Contact Name)
(Company Name)
(Address)

Dear (Company Name):

The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the 2001 salmon farm inspection conducted by BC Fisheries at your (Site Name)site, (MAFF reference: xxxx). The inspection was conducted on (Date) by (Inspector Name) , BC Fisheries Inspector and the farm site employee interviewed during the course of this inspection was (Employee Name). Please note (Employee Name) was provided with a copy of the Summary Compliance Report, along with a copy of the recently amended *Aquaculture Regulation* for his use and reference.

Enclosed is the Head Office's copy of the Summary Compliance Report identifying primary review areas by section. Please note, however, that there were areas identified as non-compliant relative to the *Fisheries Act (BC)* or the *Aquaculture Regulation*, as summarized below.

- **Section 9 Subsection (3), Aquaculture Regulation:**

"Record of drugs

- (3) The record referred to in subsection (1) shall include the following information:
- (a) the aquaculture licence number and name of the holder;
 - (b) the location of the aquaculture facility;
 - (c) the species of fin fish cultured and held;
 - (d) the name of the veterinarian who prescribed any drugs;
 - (e) a log naming the drugs, how they were administered, the treatment schedule including the date treatment commenced, the date of the last treatment and the name and signature of the person responsible for administering each treatment."

Remedial Action Required:

Effective immediately, you are required to maintain accurate drug records as set out in the regulation above and ensure that records are readily available for review during inspections

- **Section 7 (d), Appendix 2, Aquaculture Regulation:**

“The requirements for net pens are as follows:

- (d) holders must have a written maintenance record for each net pen that includes
 - (i) the inventory control number,
 - (ii) the date of initial deployment if deployed after October 31, 2000,
 - (iii) the accumulated time in water after October 31, 2000,
 - (iv) dates of in-water inspections,
 - (v) dates of on-site repairs and maintenance, including detailed reasons for repair,
 - (vi) dates of any cleaning,
 - (vii) dates of results of out-of-water complete servicing and stress testing, and
 - (viii) if applicable, the date of retirement of the net pen;”

Remedial Action Required:

Immediately, appropriate measures must be taken to develop and maintain complete net records as set out in the regulation noted above and ensure that they are readily available for review during inspections.

- **Section 8 (d), (e), Appendix 2, Aquaculture Regulation:**

“The requirements for boat operations are as follows:

- (d) the holder must designate a docking site for boats not involved in the cultivation of fish;
- (e) the holder must ensure that signs are on the containment system to direct boats not involved in the cultivation of fish to designated docking sites;”

Remedial Action Required:

You are immediately to identify and ensure the implementation of appropriate docking site design and signage with reference to the above noted Sections (d), and (e) above.

- **Section 22, Appendix 2, Aquaculture Regulation:**

“Catch nets must be used to prevent escapes due to human error, equipment failure, or fish jumping out of the equipment while holders are transporting, harvesting, grading, sampling and moving live fin fish outside of net pens.”

Remedial Action Required:

Immediately you are to begin using catch nets with regard to the above noted section.

- **Section 32, Appendix 2, Aquaculture Regulation:**

“Holders must ensure that their escape recapture plans are posted in visible locations at their Facilities and that the locations and contents of the posted plans are made known to all staff.”

Remedial Action Required:

Immediately obtain copies of escape recapture plans and post in visible locations on site.

- **Section 16 (d), Fisheries Act**

Form of Licences

“A licence under this Part must set out the following:

(d) other terms and conditions the minister considers appropriate.”

Remedial Action Required:

Per the requirement for an approved Management Plan under Section 16 (d) above, the currently approved Management Plan on file is not consistent with your facility's operation. Net pen configuration on this site does not agree with the configuration in the current Management Plan. You are required to submit an amended Management Plan to this office within 60 days for review.

The intent of providing you with this information is to work with your company to achieve compliance, rather than having to consider any further enforcement options. You should be aware however, that failure to remedy the above-noted contravention could result in the issuance of a violation ticket or more serious sanctions.

If you have any questions concerning the content of this letter or the enclosed Summary Compliance Report, please do not hesitate to contact (Name of Licensing Clerk) in our Courtenay office at 250-XXX-XXXX or myself at 250-XXX-XXXX.

BC Fisheries is committed to working with industry representatives to ensure that the health, environmental, economic and social objectives of the aquaculture industry are being met and you are encouraged to contact us if you require guidance on any of the issues discussed in this letter. Thank you in advance for your attention to the results of this inspection.

Yours truly,

(Inspector Name)
BC Fisheries Inspector
Licensing and Enforcement Section

Enclosure (1): Compliance Report Summary, Head Office Copy

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