

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment
Office of the Minister

September 28, 2018

Reg. #1834

Mr. Knut Skeidsvoll Grieg NL Nurseries Ltd. Grieg NL Seafarms Ltd. PO Box 457 Marystown NL A0E 2M0

Dear Mr. Skeidsvoll:

## RE: <u>Environmental Protection Plan for the Construction and Operation of the Hatchery for the Placentia Bay Atlantic Salmon Aquaculture Project</u>

On September 5, 2018, the Placentia Bay Atlantic Salmon Aquaculture Project was released from environmental assessment, subject to conditions. One such condition requires Grieg NL to submit an Environmental Protection Plan (EPP) for all applicable hatchery construction and operation activities to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment, and receive the Minister's approval for the EPP, prior to the start of hatchery construction.

On September 27, 2018, Grieg NL submitted an EPP for hatchery construction and operations, which was subject to a review by the project environmental assessment committee. The hatchery EPP was found to be acceptable and is therefore approved.

Please be aware that you must abide by all commitments made in the hatchery EPP and that any significant changes will be subject to additional review and approval. Although final, the hatchery EPP is considered to be a living document that can be updated as required, should environmental conditions or circumstances change.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director of the Environmental Assessment Division at (709) 729-0673, or Ms. Joanne Sweeney at (709) 729-2822 or by email at joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.



Sincerely,

**ANDREW PARSONS, QC** 

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

cc: Mark Browne, MHA Placentia West-Bellevue

**Attachments**