

Ms Caroline Lewis  
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29 May 2012

Department ref: AIE/12/005  
Applicant ref: DAFF AIE Bantry/Kenmare Bay Chemical Use 09/05/12.

Dear Ms Lewis

I refer to your request for information under the Access to Environmental Information Regulations (S.I. 133 of 2007 - European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007, implementing EU Directive 2003/4/EC). You requested the following:

*“Following information for all fin fish aquaculture sites in Kenmare Bay and Bantry Bay:*

*Sea Lice records - including dates of monitoring and treatment including the name of the chemical , amounts used per treatment, disposal methods and locations;*

- Feeding of SLICE including quantities and dates;*
- Incidence of disease and their treatments including dates, the name of the chemical, amounts used per treatment, disposal methods and locations;*
- The results of testing following treatment for compliance with the EC (Control of Dangerous Substances in Aquaculture regulations 2008 (see Annex 1) including dates and locations.*
- We are not seeking summary reports but raw data on these emissions to the Environment”*

I have made the final decision on your request today, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2012 and have decided to grant your request. I can be contacted on 023 8859573 should you have any questions about your request.

I will respond to each question you raised as follows;

- Q.1 The national sea lice inspection records are available to the public through the Marine Institute web site: <http://www.marine.ie/home/publications/>
- Q.2 The actual records of the use of SLICE are maintained by the individual operators in the Animal Remedies Record as required by Animal Remedies Regulations. <http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/animalhealthwelfare>
- Q.3 Incidence of disease and treatments are maintained by the individual operators in the Animal Remedies Record as required by Animal Remedies Regulations.
- Q.4 Records of the results of testing following treatment for compliance with the EC (Control of Dangerous Substances in Aquaculture) Regulations 2008, are maintained by the individual operators.



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**Agriculture,  
Food and the Marine**

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**Talmhaíochta,  
Bia agus Mara**

If for any reason you wish to appeal this decision you may do so by writing to the Freedom of Information Unit/Access to Information on the Environment Unit at the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Grattan House, Grattan Business Centre, Dublin Road, Portlaoise, Co. Laois. You must make your appeal within 4 weeks of the date of this notification.

Yours sincerely

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