

Registry Team Scottish Environment Protection Agency [by email]

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Dear Registry team,

## Site: Macleans Nose Marine Pen Fish farm Application for Variation Licence Reference: CAR/L/1002965

In respect of recent discussions with SEPA and following further modelling exercises and analysis of benthic ecology data I can confirm that Mowi would like to amend the submitted application in terms of the requested change in biomass. We would therefore request that determination proceeds on the basis of a proposed change in licensed biomass from a maximum weight of fish of 3000 tonnes to 3350 tonnes. We believe that this is an appropriate and precautionary staged increase at this moment supported by modelling and ecology evidence.

The requested modelling to support this application will be submitted separately. With respect to the benthic survey data from the 2022 survey, this will be analysed and submitted in due course, though pen edge data was prioritised, and is referenced in the attached modelling report.

Yours sincerely,



**Environmental Analyst**