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Re: Submission on enforcement matters under Articles 14 and 15 of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation

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Party: Canada

Date received: 10 February 2012

Submission No. : SEM-12-001 (*BC Salmon Farms*)

We hereby acknowledge receipt of submission SEM-12-001 (*BC Salmon Farms*) (the "Submission") dated 7 February 2012 and received in our offices on 10 February 2012. We will keep you informed of the status of your submission in accordance with Guideline 3.9 of the *Guidelines for Submissions on Enforcement Matters under Articles 14 and 15 of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation* (the "Guidelines").

Upon preliminary analysis of your Submission, the Secretariat is hereby notifying you of a minor error of form pursuant to Guideline 3.10. Guideline 3.3 provides that "submissions should not exceed 15 pages [...] excluding supporting information." The Submission is however 39 pages excluding supporting information. Consequently, the Secretariat cannot continue its analysis of whether the Submission meets the criteria of Article 14, unless and until it receives a revised submission conforming to the Guidelines, including Guideline 3.3.

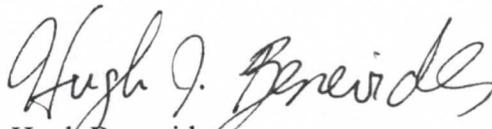
The Secretariat requests that you rectify the above-noted minor error of form and provide it with a submission conforming to the Guidelines within thirty days from the date of this letter.

We take note that you have not designated any information in the Submission as confidential or proprietary under Article 11(8) of the Agreement. Accordingly, the Submission in its entirety will be made available to the Parties to the Agreement and to the public, and an electronic version of the Submission will be placed in the Registry of Submissions on our website.

All future correspondence relating to the Submission from the Secretariat will be sent by email and by courier to your attention at the above-captioned addresses, unless and until we are advised otherwise. Your communications to the Secretariat concerning the Submission should be in writing, addressed to Ms. Rosa Blandon at the CEC Secretariat, and/or sent by electronic mail to hbenevides@cec.org with copy to Ms. Rosa Blandon, rblandon@cec.org.

Yours sincerely,

Secretariat of the Commission for Environmental Cooperation



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