Rouw, John

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To: Rouw, John Cc: Adjudication

Subject: SAOGA application for renewal

Trackit 42030 ATT: John Rouw

Dear John Rouw

The present agreement in place between SAOGA and the hatcheries to fund SAORC via a levy has been beneficial to all oyster growers. It provides security and the ability to do long term planning and also manage any crucial events as they occur.

We have been fortunate to have been guided by a range of people who have had the best interests of our industry as the main reason for their involvement and we are grateful for their input.

I cant think of any detrimental reasons why this agreement should not be extended once again.

Having said that, I do not agree with the submission to raise the levy from its present \$1.00 per 1000 to \$1.50 per 1000. Compared to the previous 10 years the volume of spat being purchased today has increased dramatically, therefore the amount of income from the levy has increased proportionately. This should allow the levy to remain the same whilst maintaining adequate funds.

We have managed several damaging situations over the past few years and I am sure we will cope just as well in the future.

Yours sincerely

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