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Sonke Mastrup
Executive Director
Fish and Game Commission
P.O. Box 944209
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

RE: Amendment to leases M430-13, M430-14 and M430-17 for the use of various algal species.

Dear Mr. Mastrup:

We would like to have our lease agreements amended to allow for the sale of the following types of algae commonly found on and amongst our cultured shellfish and associated culture equipment:

Genus:

Ulva sp.

Porphyra sp.

Prionisis sp.

Gracilariopsis sp.

Macrocystis sp.

Nereocystis sp.

In the course of sorting our shellfish we currently throw away piles of these types of algae. We got to thinking that perhaps some of our customers would like to purchase them as a rich source of vitamins and minerals. Therefore we are

approaching you to see if we can make use of these algal types that are currently going to waste.

Andrew E. Weltz, Environmental Scientist, Dept. of Fish and Wildlife initially identified the algal types. Jackie Sones, Research Scientist, Bodega Marine Laboratory confirmed the geno types. She added that speciation of these geno types is difficult and for our purposes not relevant.

Kirsten Ramey suggested that we contact you to begin the process of amending our leases in Tomales Bay to allow us to remove algae from our shellfish and gear with the express purpose of selling it. Our leases are M430-13, M430-14 and M430-17 in Tomales Bay, Marin County, California.

Thank you for the consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Martin Strain". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Martin Strain, President

Point Reyes Oyster Company, Inc.