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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN – FIN FISH INQUIRY

Having lived and worked in the Triabunna area for 40 years, and witnessing first-hand the demise of the timber industry in the area, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for Tassal and their position in our small rural community.

During that 40 years' I have recreational fished in this area and I have seen no demise in fishing that could be attributed in any way to Tassal's movement into Okehampton Bay. The level of economic activity that Tassal has provided to our community has been noticeable in that when you go to Triabunna there are cars parked in the street; there's activity in shops, grocery stores, coffee shops and above all there is a smile on people's faces.

The level of building activity and development in the area has increased to the point where trying to get a tradesman has become difficult and the only thing that could have possibility stimulated this activity is the Tassal injection of funding to the community.

This has been enhanced by the number of young people in the 18-35 age bracket that have secured work with Tassal. The level of upskilling that Tassal has given their employees has provided opportunity that wasn't available prior to their establishment of operations in the Triabunna area.

The amount of financial support that Tassal have given our sporting and community groups is unprecedented since the demise of the woodchip mill.

In conclusion, I have no hesitation in supporting the fin fish industry in this area.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Arnol', is written on a light yellow rectangular background.

GLENN ARNOL