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Honourable Webb & members of the Fin Fish Inquiry Committee

I write to you in regarding the expansion of the salmon industry in Tasmania and the lack of social licence for this.

Last year I moved from Hobart to Dodges Ferry very quickly became aware of the lack of social licence for the expansion of the salmon industry in Tasmania. The flotilla that took place in early November of 2018 highlighted to me that there are many people in our Tasmanian community who do not support the expansion of the farmed fin fish industry on our coastal waters.

There have been many protests and community responses highlighting the lack of support for the expansion of the salmon industry. I ask that you as a committee call for a moratorium on expansion until there is independent investigation into the environmental impact of the fin fish industry on our island and proper measures put in place to protect our island.

I have conducted an online search of recent media reports on protests and submissions indicating lack of social licence for the expansion of fin fish industry. People from all walks of life have protested and called for Government to stop the expansion of this industry. Please consider the following articles:

<https://au.news.yahoo.com/fishermen-protest-new-tas-salmon-farm-36519221.html>

<https://www.facebook.com/abchobart/photos/a.120745234217/10155691203599218/?type=1&theater>

<https://www.facebook.com/abchobart/photos/salmon-protest-people-concerned-over-the-environmental-impact-of-salmon-farming-/10155691203599218/>

<https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2017/jun/21/tassals-pulp-mill-moment-the-battle-over-tasmanias-30m-salmon-farm>

<https://www.examiner.com.au/story/6069449/senate-candidates-take-fish-farm-objection-nationally/?cs=95>

<https://www.undercurrentnews.com/2019/04/22/over-100-people-protest-planned-tassal-salmon-farm-expansion/>

https://www.themercury.com.au/subscribe/news/1/?sourceCode=TMWEB_WRE170_a_GGL&dest=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.themercury.com.au%2Fbusiness%2Fhobart-public-meeting-over-tassal-and-huon-aquaculture-storm-bay-salmon-fish-farm-expansion%2Fnews-story%2Fdc1b70f93338c18cfd5bbb4f9317029&memtype=anonymous&mode=premium

<https://tasabalone.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/20171010-Tasmanian-abalone-industry-submission-to-the-Sustainable-Salmon-Growth-Plan-September-2017.pdf>

<https://tasmaniantimes.com/2017/08/the-hope-of-saving-the-far-n-w-tas-seabed-from-salmon-farms/>

<https://tasmanianbeaches.net/tag/fish-farms/>

<https://www.swellnet.com/news/swellnet-dispatch/2018/01/08/tom-carroll-protests-against-salmon-farm-plans-king-island>

<https://dpipwe.tas.gov.au/Documents/Salmon%20Plan%20-%20written%20submissions.p>

<https://www.marineconservation.org.au/red-rating-for-tasmanian-farmed-atlantic-salmon-industry-pushing-environment-too-far-too-fast/>

https://www.et.org.au/clean_up_fish_farms

<https://www.greenleft.org.au/content/something-fishy-about-tasmanias-salmon-farming>

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2018/oct/21/tasmanian-salmon-should-be-off-the-menu-for-now-says-conservation-group>

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2018-03-02/fish-farming-issue-lost-at-sea-during-tasmanian-election/9499994>

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-04-22/tas-king-island-salmon-farming-protest/11035540>

<https://www.undercurrentnews.com/2019/07/16/patagonia-anti-aquaculture-campaign-turns-sights-on-australia/>

<https://www.theadvocate.com.au/story/6274272/fish-farms-under-fire-in-new-patagonia-documentary/>

<https://amp.themercury.com.au/news/tasmania/antifish-farm-group-hits-back/news-story/6d39b4ed390f25dfb805d458aa4012d0>

<https://www.themercury.com.au/news/tasmania/protesters-take-to-norfolk-bay-against-tassal-and-huon-aquaculture-salmon-farming/news-story/6adfd2b799ca34172bc881a0b5cb2af8>

<https://m.facebook.com/marineprotectiontasmania/>

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2018/oct/21/tasmanian-salmon-should-be-off-the-menu-for-now-says-conservation-group>

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-10-19/river-derwent-sailors-concern-over-new-salmon-wellboats/11617610>

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-04-22/tas-king-island-salmon-farming-protest/11035540>

As you can see from the above links the people who oppose the expansion of the salmon fin fish industry is large and diverse - the industry does not have social licence and I for one oppose it.

I am willing and look forward to the opportunity to speaking to you personally.

Kind regards