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September 17, 2018

Paul Mercer, <u>Commissioner</u> <u>Maine Department of Environmental Protection</u> <u>17 State House Station</u> <u>Augusta, Maine 04333-0017</u>

Subject: Maine Freedom of Access Act request

Dear Commissioner Mercer

This is a request pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 408, the Maine Freedom of Access statute, to inspect at your office and to copy as necessary the following records: public records pertaining to Nordic Aqua Farms (**NAF**) from **September 1, 2018 to September 17, 2018**

These would include emails, letters, meeting notes and other public records pertaining to Nordic Aqua Farms that were written, received or recorded by you or your office. These include NAF-relevant records to or from from Nordic Aqua Farms, its consultants, other businesses, the city of Belfast or its officials, from other governments, from NGOs and /orfrom individuals, or others from September 1, 2018 to September 17, 2018.

If you choose to deny permission to inspect or copy any of the requested records, please state the reason for the denial, including the appropriate legal citation(s). If you need additional information to clarify iour requested, please call me at 691-4634 or email me at <u>coastwatch@gmail.com</u>

Friends of Penobscot Bay looks forward to receiving your acknowledgement within five (5) working days of your receipt of this letter, as required by 1 M.R.S.A. 409 (1).

We prefer to inspect, review and copy these requested records at your office.Please contact me to set an appointment to review these records. However, digital copies are acceptable provided they are in searchable-text pdf format (except where not possible:maps or photo images).

Please also contact me if you have any questions. My phone # is 691-4634 My email: coastwatch@gmail.com

Sincerely Ron Huber

Ron Huber, Executive Director Friends of Penobscot Bay

cc Brenda L. Kielty, Assistant Attorney General, Public Access