

Cold Ocean Salmon Inc.

September 26, 2020

Statement regarding the detection of federally reportable diseases for a licensed aquaculture site

In accordance with the Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (FFA) policy AP 17, Cold Ocean Salmon Inc. publicly advises that the company received positive test results confirming Infectious Salmon Anaemia virus (ISAv) at the Grip Cove (AQ# 867) marine cage site. The farm site is located near Gaultois, NL and contains 7 cages that are stocked with approximately 485,000 Atlantic salmon.

ISAv is a naturally occurring virus and is not a human health issue or a food safety issue. The ISAv detection was identified as a result of the FFA Atlantic salmon aquatic animal health surveillance program.

The company is planning to remove the fish using approved and biosecure Standard Operating Procedures. This proactive approach of removing fish following a detection has proven to be the most successful method for managing this virus. The company has taken all the responsible steps under the oversight of the Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture and is following government approved policies.

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