## Northern Harvest Sea Farms Statement October 30, 2019

Northern Harvest Sea Farms advises that as of end of day Tuesday, October 29, the Provincial Government's Aquatic Animal Health Division issued a quarantine order on the company's Broad Cove site due to the confirmation of an ISA (Infectious Salmon Anaemia) detection.

Northern Harvest Sea Farms will initiate quarantine protocols as per approved standard operating procedures, and is already in the process of harvesting the Atlantic Salmon being farmed at this site.

ISA poses no risk to human health, and all protocols required to respond to a confirmation of the detection of ISA are being followed under the direction of regulators.

As part of our efforts to provide complete information to the public about our operations, we are also providing some supplementary information about a Canadian Food Inspection Agency notice for an ISA confirmation from September 11 that was previously posted publicly at: <u>https://www.inspection.gc.ca/animals/aquatic-animals/diseases/reportablediseases/isa/locations-infected/eng/1549521878704/1549521878969</u>.

The site discussed in this September 11<sup>th</sup> post is for a Northern Harvest Sea Farms Atlantic Salmon farm site called "Harvey Hill North." A quarantine order was placed on that site on September 9<sup>th</sup> by the Provincial Government's Aquatic Animal Health Division. All fish from this site have already been harvested.

In addition, ISA was detected in a single Atlantic Salmon sampled from Northern Harvest's "Little Burdock" site. This site is currently empty.

There has not been any increased mortality due to ISA on any of Northern Harvest Sea Farms sites, as our company has followed best practice in dealing with suspicion of ISA, and harvests the fish immediately after detection.

These ISA disclosures comply with new and strengthened regulations created through partnership between the Provincial Government and industry players and established on September 25, 2019.

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