

August 3, 2011

Ms. Inka Milewski Conservation Council of New Brunswick 180 St. John Street Fredericton, NB E3B 4A9

Dear Ms. Milewski:

P.O. Box/C.P. 6000 Fredericton New Brunswick/Nouveau-Brunswick E3B 5H1

Subject: Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act – Right to Information request regarding occurrence of infectious salmon anemia (ISA) and other disease or parasites

This letter is in response to your request under the *Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* dated July 4, 2011 and received in my office on July 6, 2011 for "departmental reports on the occurrence of infectious salmon anemia (ISA) and other disease, disease agents and parasites for all salmon aquaculture sites in the Bay of Fundy for each year beginning in 2007, to the present (2011). Please include the following information for each year beginning in 2007 to the present: the number of salmon farms reporting ISA, the name(s) of other diseases, disease agents or parasites reported and the number of farms reporting each disease and the number of salmon quarantined, destroyed or otherwise disposed of as a result of the diseases, disease agents or parasites per year."

I wish to advise that staff have summarized the information on the file that you requested from the department regarding the number of salmon farms reporting infectious salmon anemia or other diseases and parasites from 2007 until May 2011. With respect to the number of salmon quarantined, destroyed or otherwise disposed of the only information available to the department in this regard is the estimated number of salmon that were removed as a result of Ministerial ordered de-populations. In this regard the summary of information reflects the estimated number of fish removed due to ISA only.

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If you do not agree with this decision, you may file a complaint with the Access to Information and Privacy Commissioner within 60 days or refer the matter to a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench within 30 days of the date of this notice. I am enclosing herewith the forms necessary for a review under the Act.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Raymond Savoie at (506) 453- 3602 or <a href="mailto:Raymond.savoie@gnb.ca">Raymond.savoie@gnb.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

Michael Olscamp

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Enclosure

## **Summary of Diseases and Incidences for 2007-2011**

Disease/Parasite Reported	Year Diagnosed and Number of Farms					
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 (May)	
Infectious Salmon Anemia Virus	10	0	0	1 (1 fish)	0	
Infectious Salmon Anemia Virus (H0)	9	4	9	4	2	
Bacterial Kidney Disease	0	17	22	15	13	
Enteric Redmouth	0	0	1	1	0	
Skin Lesions	0	2	6	7	3	
Sea Lice	0	3	37	42	10	

## Estimated Number of Fish Depopulated due to Infectious Salmon Anemia (ISA)

Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Number of fish depopulated	528,000	0	0	0	0