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Mr Mark Ryan  
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Dear Mr Ryan

**CHANGE APPROVAL  
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR TREATMENT OF FISH FARM WASTE  
MACQUARIE HARBOUR**

Please accept this letter as approval to your requested changes to treatment processes detailed in the *Environmental Management Plan for Macquarie Harbour Salmonid Aquaculture – Waste Management* (the EMP Treatment).

The changes to the EMP Treatment effectively change the requirements of Environment Protection Notice 9760/1 (the EPN). Specifically, the definition of "EMP Treatment" set out in Schedule 1 of the EPN, which provides for amendment/substitution of the original EMP, is now taken to read:

**EMP:** *Environmental Management Plan for Macquarie Harbour Salmonid Aquaculture – Waste Management incl. disinfection*, and submitted to EPA Tasmania by Tassal on 15 November 2017.

This updated document supersedes all previous versions of the EMP Treatment. This change takes effect from the date of this letter.

Significant changes to the EMP Treatment are as follows:

1. Commencement of disinfection:  
The key change in the EMP treatment details the commencement of disinfection by sodium hypochlorite dosing and neutralisation of residual chlorine using sodium bisulphite.
2. Other treatment:  
The EMP also outlines details on the commencing of activated sludge effluent treatment process which will offer a further level of treatment to the fish farm waste.

It is noted that these changes are being implemented to align treatment processes with effluent quality requirements set out in Environmental Approval 9777/1 authorising disposal of treated liquid fish farm waste via the Pardoe Wastewater Treatment Plant at East Devonport.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wes Ford', written in a cursive style.

**Wes Ford**  
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