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To the Maine DEP:

I am a resident of Sorrento, on the coast of Maine, and I write to express my Strong Opposition to the Nordic Fish Factory planned for Belfast, Maine.

Here are just a Few of my concerns:

No One Really Knows:

- If Nordic even has the Half a Billion Dollars required to build and run the plant. and who would be stuck with the cleanup if they pull out?
- How Many jobs, and how Much in taxes will Nordic Really pay?
- How will the 5 Years of construction affect Tourism in the Belfast area?
- How will the 7.7 Million Gallons of Effluent (including nitrogen, fish feces, bleach, and who knows what other chemicals) Pouring into the Bay EVERY DAY affect marine life, fishing, and other aquaculture?
- How will the 657 Million Gallons of Fresh Water (needed by Nordic to run the factory) affect the local aquifer, local wells? and what are the consequences of salt water intrusion?

This is a Colossal Fish Factory with a Huge Carbon Footprint:

8 Diesel generators, an on-site cement plant, and a waste disposal facility.

I thought Maine was committed to Reducing our carbon footprint!

This is going backwards.

Water temperatures are Already rising and affecting Lobsters and other marine life. Why speed it up and make it worse with discharge from a Nordic fish factory?

And, in closing, there Is an Alternative using best available technology:

Zero discharge: Closed Recirculating Aquaculture System which uses far less water and energy. It is smaller scale, an on land aquaculture, and a Way Better choice for Belfast. Or anywhere, for that matter!

Thank You for reading and caring about my concerns.

Sincerely,

Hilly Crary and family