

## STANDARD LEASE APPLICATION: NON-DISCHARGE

### 1. APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicant	Islesboro Marine Enterprises, Inc.		
Contact Person	Shey or Josh Conover		
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City	Islesboro		
State, Zip	ME, 04848		
County	Waldo		
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Type of Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Draft Application [submitted before scoping session session] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Application [submitted after scoping session]		
Dates	Pre-Application Meeting: 6/11/2020	Draft Application Submitted: 10/30/2020	Scoping Session: 12/7/2020

**Note:** Corporate Applicant Information Document is included starting on Page 26.

### 2. PROPOSED LEASE SITE INFORMATION

Location of Proposed Lease Site	
Town	Islesboro
Waterbody	Penobscot Bay
General Description (e.g. south of B Island)	Northeast of Flat Island
Lease Information	
Total acreage requested (100-acre maximum)	6
Lease term requested (20-year maximum)	20
Type of culture (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom (no gear) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suspended (gear in the water and/or on the bottom)
Is any portion of the proposed lease site above mean low water?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**Note:** If you selected yes, you need to complete the steps outlined in the section titled: "19. Landowner/Municipal Permission Requirements".

### 3. WATER QUALITY

Directions: Water Quality Information can be found here: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/pollution.html>

Pollution Area (e.g. "19-A"):	36-F
Pollution Area Section (e.g. "B.2". or "none"):	none
Water Quality Classification (e.g. approved, restricted, etc.):	approved

**Note:** If you are proposing to grow molluscan shellfish in waters classified as anything other than open/approved, you will need to contact the Bureau of Public Health to discuss your plans at the following email: [DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov](mailto:DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov)

Growing Area Designation: WY

### 4. SPECIES INFORMATION

A. Please complete the table below and add additional rows as needed.

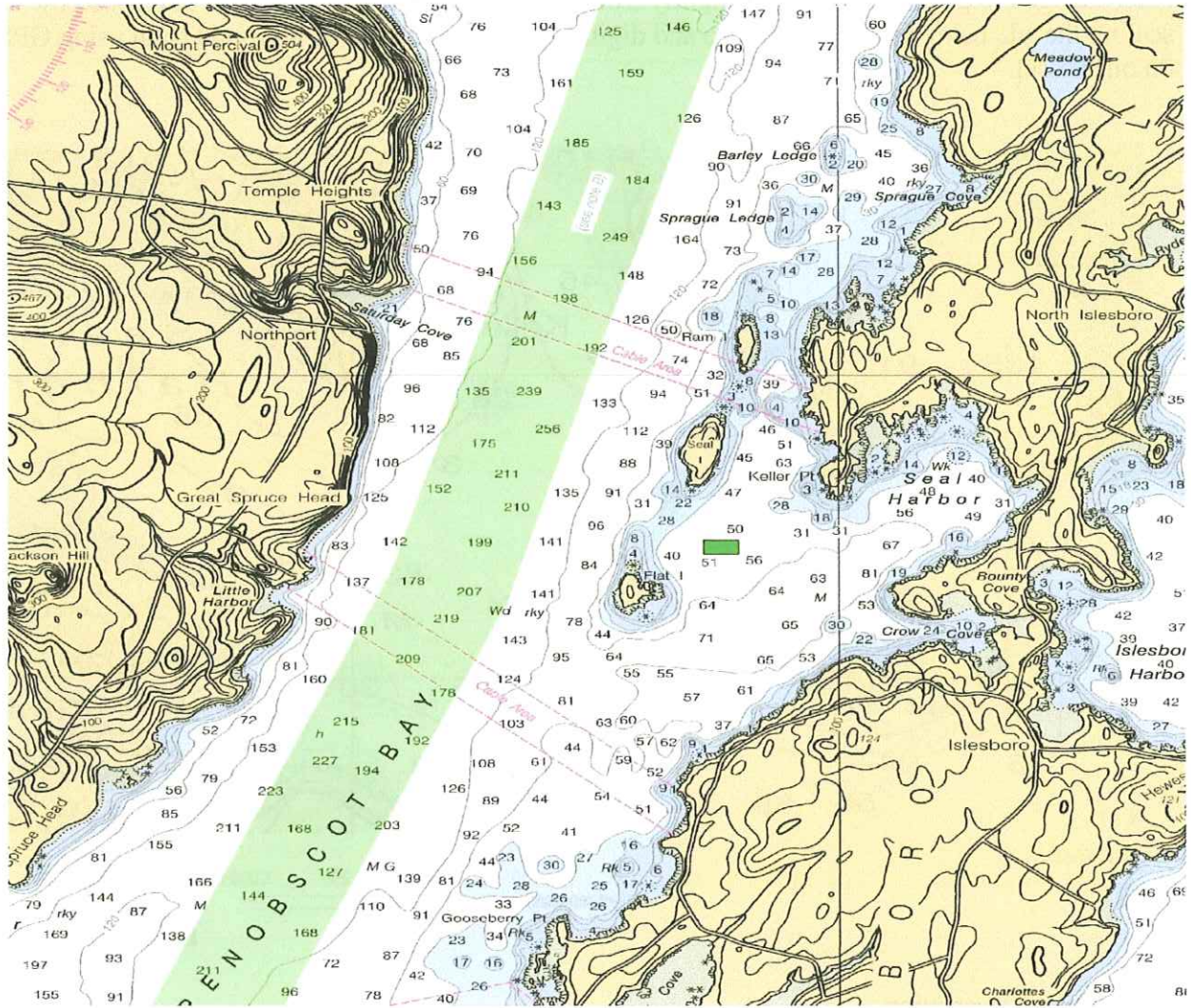
<b>Name of species to be cultivated</b> <i>(include both common and scientific names):</i>	<b>Name and address of the source of seed stock, juveniles, and/or smolts</b>	<b>Maximum number (or biomass) of organisms you anticipate on the site at any given time</b>
1. Blue Mussels – <i>Mytilus edulis</i>	Wild seed	1 Million lbs. of blue mussels
2. Sugar Kelp - <i>saccharina latissima</i>	Atlantic Sea Farms, 89 Industrial Park Road, Saco, Maine 04072	6,800 linear feet of seed lines (all species combined)
3. Skinny Kelp ( <i>Saccharina latissimi forma angustissima</i> )	Atlantic Sea Farms, 89 Industrial Park Road, Saco, Maine 04072	6,800 linear feet of seed lines (all species combined)
4. Horsetail Kelp ( <i>Laminaria digitata</i> )	Atlantic Sea Farms, 89 Industrial Park Road, Saco, Maine 04072	6,800 linear feet of seed lines (all species combined)
5. Winged Kelp ( <i>Alaria esculenta</i> )	Atlantic Sea Farms, 89 Industrial Park Road, Saco, Maine 04072	6,800 linear feet of seed lines (all species combined)
6. Dulse ( <i>Palmaria palmata</i> )	Atlantic Sea Farms, 89 Industrial Park Road, Saco, Maine 04072	6,800 linear feet of seed lines (all species combined)

B. Do you intend to possess, transport, or sell whole or roe-on scallops?  Yes  No

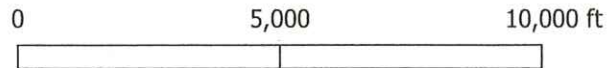


## 5. VICINITY MAP

Lease site is in Penobscot Bay on the west side of Islesboro Island in close proximity to Seal Harbor. The six acre site is located just over a ¼ mile from the north east side of Flat Island and is indicated with a green rectangle on the vicinity map below.



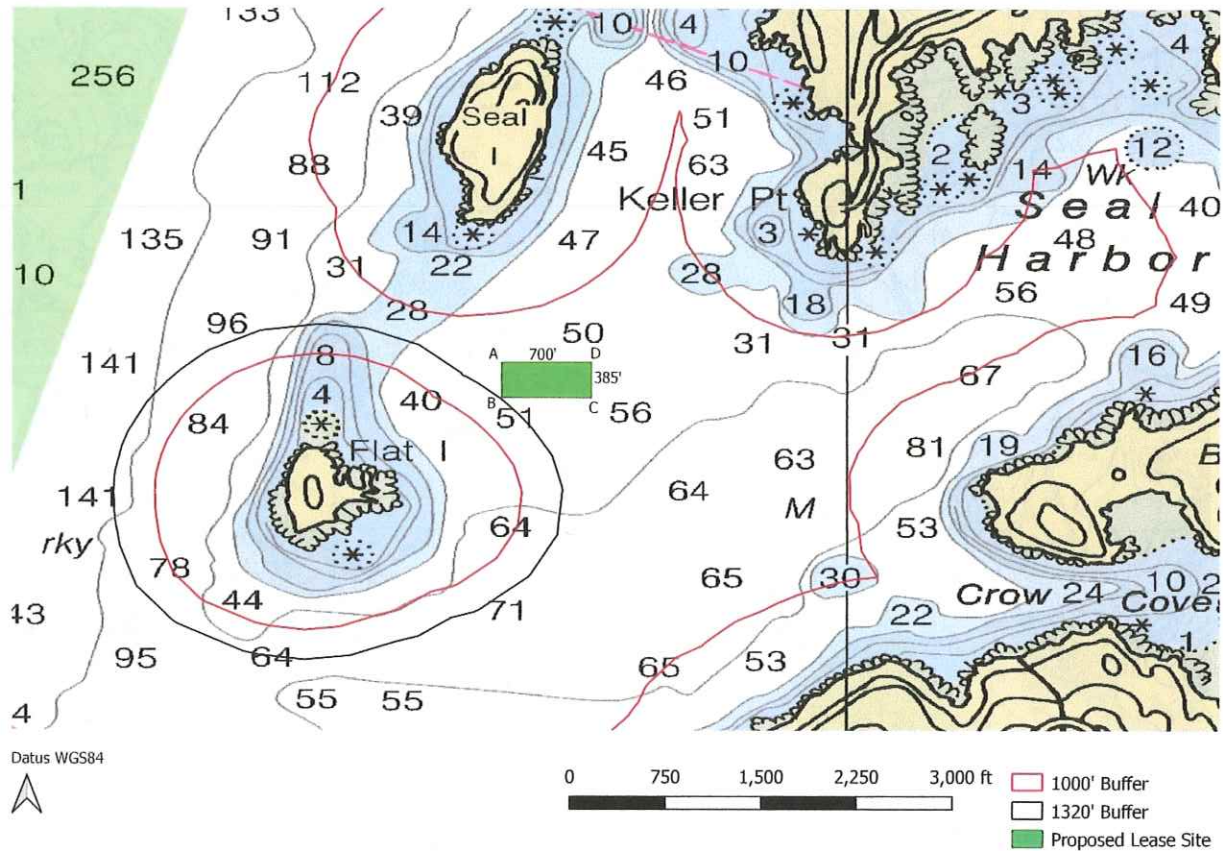
Vicinity Map





## 6. BOUNDARY DRAWING

The lease site is a 6 acre area that runs 700 feet from west to east, and 385 feet north to south. The southwest corner of the site is just over 1,320 feet from the mean low water mark of the northeast shore of Flat Island. The southwest corner is the same location as the southwest corner of PEN Fix, the experimental lease site currently in this area. The other three boundary coordinates have been changed to grow the lease site slightly from 4 to 6 acres. The lease site was developed by scaling the site using Google Earth Pro and digital NOAA chart, and then ground truth using GPS on our vessel.



- Coordinate Description

- A: Northwest Corner: 44 19.250, -68 55.618
- B: Southwest Corner: 44 19.187, -68 55.618
- C: Southeast Corner: 44 19.187, -68 55.457
- D: Northeast Corner: 44 19.250, -68 55.457

See Map for distances (and labeled corners corresponding to coordinates above)

## 7. SITE DEVELOPMENT

### A. Gear Information

**Directions:** Include a drawing of an individual piece of gear for each of the gear type(s) you plan to use. Include units referenced (i.e. 10in, 10ft, etc.).

#### 1. Gear Drawing:



Figure 1: Gear Drawing Mussel Raft. 40' x 40' raft (span indicated by white arrows). Raft holds 400 "fuzzy rope" mussel lines. Each line attaches to the 4' x 4' hemlock beams (see red arrow) and hangs down 45' into the water column. See figure 2 below for dimensions and placement of up to 18 rafts below.

Kelp: See figures 2 & 4 below for drawing with dimensions and placement for up to (8) 650' kelp long lines, and up to (8) 200' kelp long lines below.

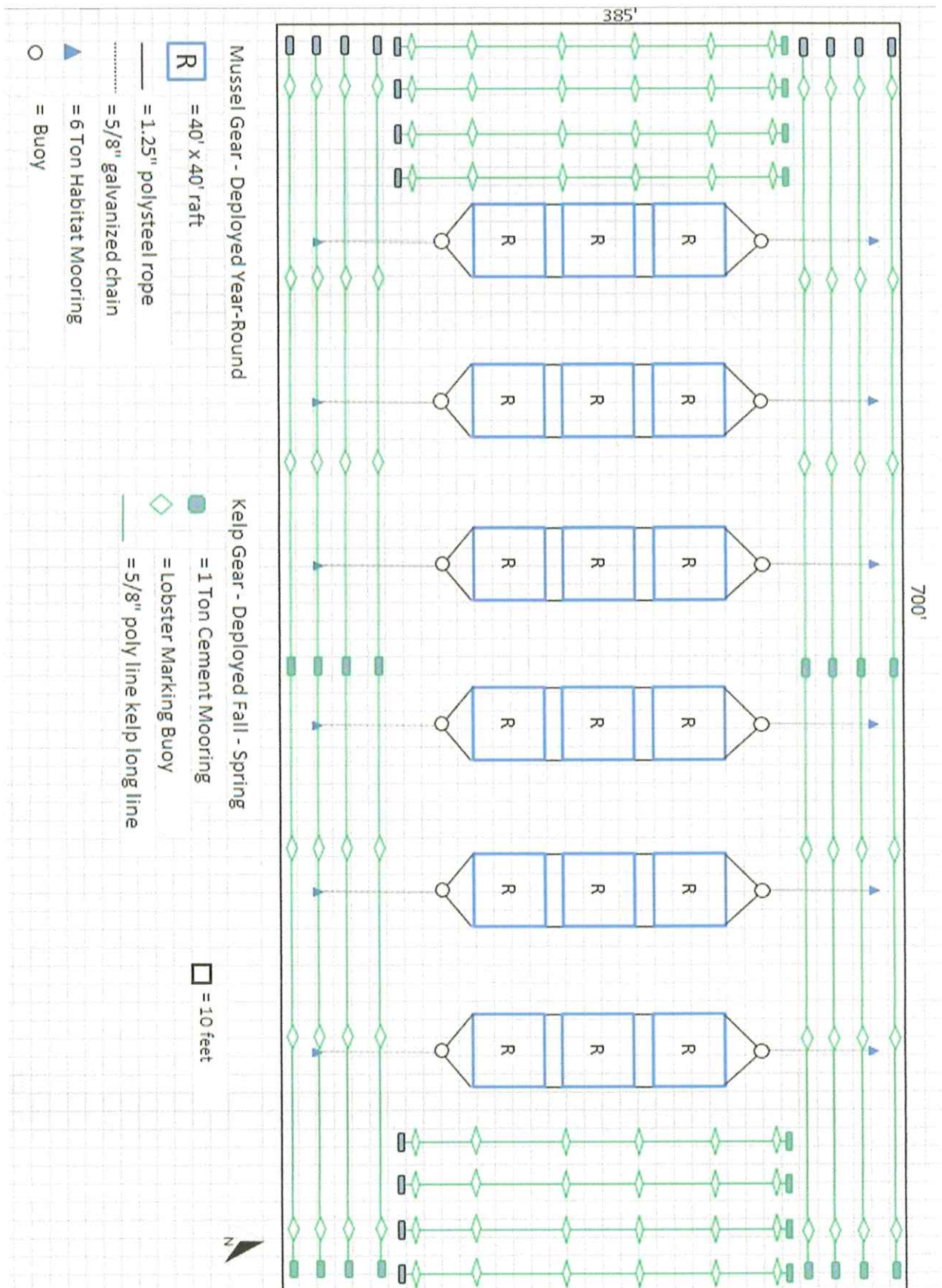
2. Gear Table:

<b>Specific Gear Type</b> <i>(e.g. soft mesh bag)</i>	<b>Dimensions</b> <i>(e.g. 16"x20"x2")</i>	<b>Time of year gear will be deployed</b> <i>(e.g. Spring, Winter, etc.)</i>	<b>Maximum amount of this gear type that will be deployed on the site</b> <i>(i.e. 200 cages, 100 lantern nets, etc.)</i>	<b>Species that will be grown using this gear type</b>
Mussel raft	40' x 40'  Fuzzy Rope hanging down 45'	Year-round	18 rafts	Blue Mussels
Long lines	3/8" line x 650'	Fall thru spring	8 long-lines	Kelp
Long lines	3/8" line x 200'	Fall thru spring	8 long-lines	Kelp

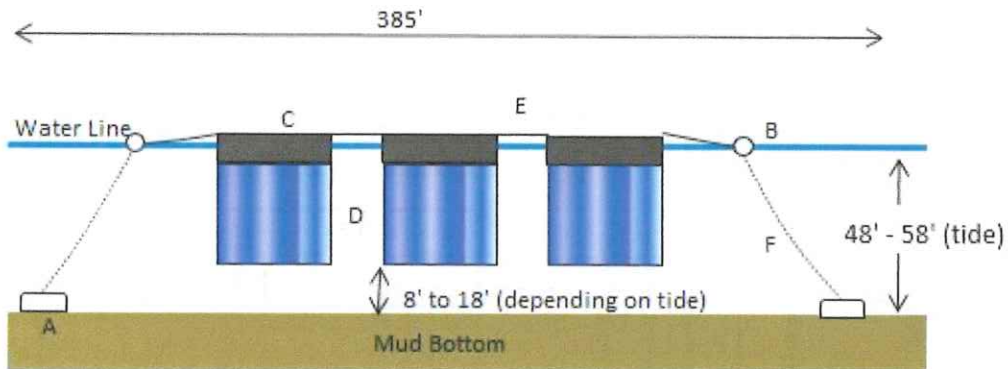


## B. Maximum Structure and Mooring System Schematic

### 1. Overhead View: (Figure 2)



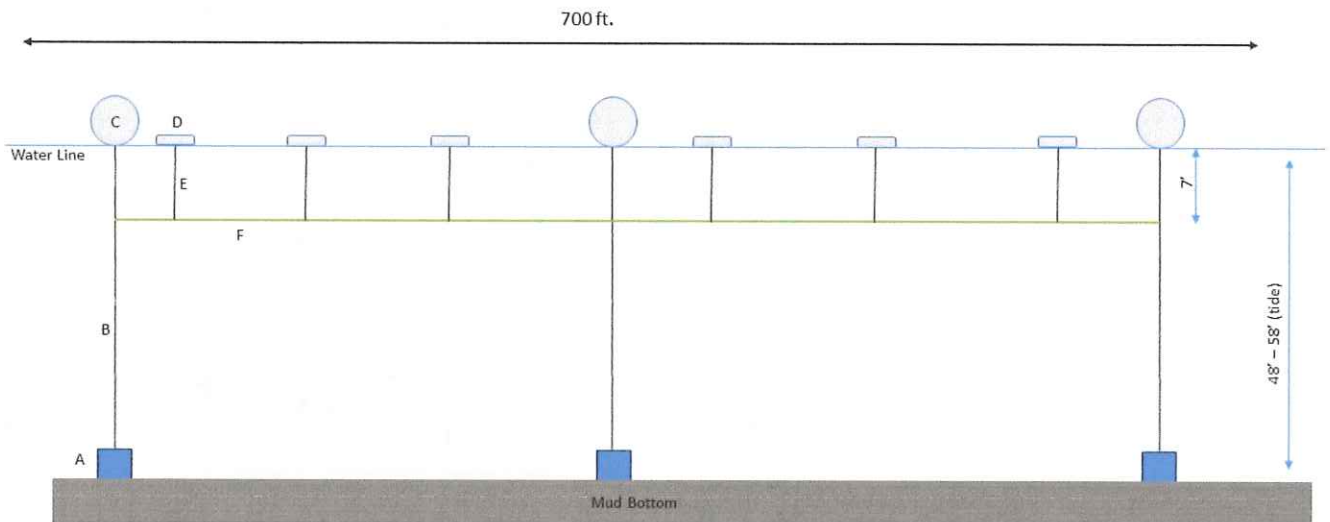
2. Cross-Section View.  
 Figure 3: Cross-Section View Mussel Rafts



- A = 6 Ton Habitat Mooring
- B = Mooring Ball
- C = 40' x 40' Rafts
- D = 40' "fuzzy rope" lines on mussel rafts (approx. 400 lines/raft)
- E = 1.25" Polysteel rope
- F = 5/8" galvanized chain (100' in length)

Please note that "D" also depicts 40' x 40' net that will be secured to the rafts from their frame "C" and will hang down the length of the fuzzy rope. Each raft will have a net on each of its 4 sides. The nets have a 4" mesh size, and have been discussed with MDIFW as the most effective means for reducing potential conflict with eider duck populations residing on nearby seabird nesting islands.

Figure 4: Cross-Section View Kelp Long Lines – Deployed Fall - Spring



- A: 1 Ton Cement Mooring
- B: 5/8" Galvanized Mooring Chain
- C: Mooring Ball
- D: Lobster Buoy
- E: 7' Depth Control Line with Buoy and Weight
- F: 3/8" kelp long line



**C. On-Site Support Structures**

1. Describe structures such as barges, sheds, etc., to be located on-site. Provide a schematic and indicate the dimensions, including height above sea level, materials, etc.

No support structures will remain on-site. A harvesting barge will be towed to the site for harvesting and maintenance activities. The harvesting barge is 20' x 40', and 10' above sea level. It is constructed of plastic pontoons and hemlock decking, with a plywood shed for equipment protection.

2. Describe the storage and use of oil, gasoline or other hazardous materials on this facility. If petroleum products are to be stored on site, provide a spill prevention plan.

Gas will be used on the harvest barge when it is on site. It will be transported in no spill 5 gallon gas cans when needed. No petroleum products will be stored on site.

**D. Gear Color**

Provide the color of the gear and structures proposed to be used at the lease site.

Lease site will be marked with yellow buoys.

Moorings are marked with white mooring balls. Longlines will be marked with smaller white buoys.

Mussel rafts are made of black tubs, galvanized steel, and hemlock boards.

### **E. Equipment Layout**

Figure 5: Shows layout example of raft layouts. This is taken from the Northwest Corner of a lease looking towards the Southwest Corner of the lease and shows the layout of groups of rafts as proposed.





Figure 6: Aerial drone view of PEN Flx. Shows layout of current raft structure and shows the presence of the harvesting barge and vessel used to tow the barge to the site for processing. Northport is the land in the background.



**F. Marking**

<p>Will you be able to mark your site in accordance with DMR regulations, Chapter 2.80?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes   <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If you answered no, explain why and suggest alternate markings.</p>

**Note:** If a lease is granted, you will also be required to mark the site in accordance with appropriate US Coast Guard Regulations. If you have questions about US Coast Guard Regulations contact: 1<sup>st</sup> Coast Guard District, Aids to Navigation Office ((617)-223-3293).

## 8. PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES

**A.** Please explain your proposed seeding activities. What months will seeding occur and how often will you be onsite to seed during this time.

Blue Mussels: Mussel rafts will be installed, with the goal of having “fuzzy rope” lines in the water by early spring to collect wild mussel spat (May - June). During seed collection lines are hanging straight down in the water or coiled at the surface. We will be on site 2 – 4 days per week year-round for seeding, maintenance and harvesting. To prepare for seeding, those days will be spent tying lines on to the raft to collect wild seed.

Kelp: Seeding will take place in November or December. It will take 2 – 3 days on site to seed and set the long-line system.

**B.** Please explain your proposed tending/maintenance activities.

Mussels: After seeding, maintenance will include checking rafts to keep them in good condition, and to deploy, clean and mend nets to ensure they are in good order to minimize interaction with sea ducks.

Approx. 9 – 12 months after the seed set, we will begin resocking seed mussels to achieve consistent density for mussel development until harvestable size. All processing equipment, including resocking machine, declumper, debysser, and grading table are located on the processing barge which is towed to the site with our 38’ boat, and stored off the lease site when not in use for maintenance or harvesting.

Kelp: Site visits will occur by boat to ensure kelp long lines are properly maintained, that the anchoring system is functioning as designed and that the lines are not tangled.

**C.** How frequently will you visit/tend the site for routine tending/maintenance (i.e. flipping cages, etc.)?

Mussels & Kelp: We will be on site 2 – 4 days per week year-round for maintenance and harvesting of mussels. Maintenance and kelp harvesting will occur Fall – Spring.



**D.** Describe the harvesting techniques you will use. If you plan on using a drag, please provide the dimensions.

Mussels: Approx. 18 – 24 months after seeding, we will begin harvesting. We harvest 2 – 3 days per week. To harvest we tow the processing barge to the lease, use a harvest conveyor to assist with getting lines out of the water to minimize mussel drop-off. Lines are stripped and mussels are fed into the declumper, then sent to the debysser and sorted with a grading table. After grading, mussels are iced and packed in totes and moved to the boat to bring ashore for final inspection and bagging.

After harvest is complete, the processing barge is towed back to its mooring in Crow Cove and the mussels are brought ashore to prepare for packing and shipment.

Kelp: In the spring, we will use our 38' lobster boat to haul up kelp lines, cut product from long lines and stored in totes. Once long lines are harvested, gear will be removed from the water and stored on land.

**E.** How often will you be at the site during harvesting periods?

We will be on site for 2 – 3 days per week to harvest, year-round.

**F.** Will gear be on the site year-round?  Yes  No

**G.** If gear will not be on the site year-round, please describe any overwintering or “off season” plans for the site. For example, will you remove gear from the site and/or deploy gear in different areas within the proposed site? Please include where gear or product will be located if removed from the site.

Mussels: Any fuzzy rope not deployed for seeding or growing mussels is kept off site on land. Mussel nets not deployed will also be taken off site and stored on land for mending before redeployment.

Kelp: 1 Ton long line moorings will remain on site year-round. The 3/8” line, and lobster buoy markers will be removed each spring and stored on land.

## 9. NOISE AND LIGHT

**A.** What type of boats will be used on the site? When and how often will these vessels be on the site?

Mussels: We plan use to use a 38' lobster boat to tow the processing barge to and from the site, and to visit for regular maintenance. This vessel and processing barge will be on site 2 – 4 days per week year-round as needed. We also use a 24' x 55' crane barge to clean nets periodically. The barge will be on site approx. 10 – 20 days per year.

Kelp: We will use the 38' lobster boat and a 13' Carolina skiff to deploy, maintain and harvest kelp fall – spring.

**B.** What type of powered equipment (e.g. generator, power washer, grading equipment, barges, etc.) will be used on the site? When and how often will the equipment be used?

Mussels: We will use a generator 2 – 3 days a week (2 – 3 hours per day) to run a wash-down pump and conveyors on the processing barge. The resocking machine, declumper and debysser are run off a hydraulic power pack located on the processing barge. This occurs year-round.

We will use a power washer on the crane barge to clean nets approximately 10 - 20 days per year. Nets are typically power washed in the late spring and again in the fall.

Kelp: No powered equipment beyond vessel engines will be used.

**C.** Specify how you intend to reduce noise levels from the boats and other powered equipment.

We will reduce noise through mufflers on boat engines, and sound insulation around powered equipment, and run only as needed.

**D.** Provide the number, type (whether fixtures are shielded), wattage and location of lights, other than those used for navigation or marking, that will be used at the proposed lease site.

There will be no lights beyond those used for navigational marking on the site.

**E.** Indicate under what circumstances you might work at your site beyond daylight hours.

The only circumstance that work would be occurring beyond daylight hours would for emergency repairs. Otherwise, all work will be conducted during daylight hours.



**10. CURRENT OPERATIONS**

**A. Describe your existing aquaculture operations, including the acronyms of all active leases and/or licenses.**

We currently grow blue mussels on two lease sites:  
PEN FIx – the experimental lease site that we are applying to become a standard lease  
PEN BB – we are farm managers for this site growing blue mussels.

**B. What are your plans for any existing leases and/or Limited Purpose Aquaculture (LPA) licenses if the lease is granted? Will any existing leases and/or LPA licenses be relinquished if the lease is granted? If so, please indicate which ones.**

We hope to convert the PEN FIx to a standard lease site through this application. We intend to continue to work on the PEN BB site as farm managers.

**11. ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERIZATION**

**A. What are the approximate depths at mean low water?**

The site is relatively flat with approx. depth of 48’ at mean low water.

**B. What are the approximate depths at mean high water?**

Depth is approx. 58’ at mean high water.

**C. Provide the approximate current speed and direction during the ebb and flow.**

The current runs north south following the shore of Islesboro during an extreme high tide the current is between 2-5 knots.

<p><b>D.</b> The following questions (D.1 through D.6) may be answered in writing or by submitting a video. If you plan to submit a video, please contact the Department prior to video collection.</p>
<p><b>1.</b> What are the bottom characteristics (mud, sand, gravel, rock, ledge or some mix, etc.)?</p>
<p>It is a mud bottom across the proposed lease site.</p>
<p><b>2.</b> Describe the bottom topography (flat, steep rough, etc.).</p>
<p>The bottom is flat, with changes around 1 – 2 ft from lowest to highest point.</p>
<p><b>3.</b> Describe marine organisms by species or common names. Based on your personal observations or other sources of information, are these species abundant, common, or rare?</p>
<p>We have observed no marine organisms on the bottom at this site. From our experience with this site as an experimental lease we have seen several harbor pollock and mackerel swimming in and around the rafts.</p>
<p><b>4.</b> Are there shellfish beds or fish migration routes in the surrounding area? If so, please describe.</p>
<p>We have not observed any shellfish beds or fish migration routes. However, we believe there to be wild shellfish beds in the surrounding area as we have found the wild seed set to be abundant on PEN FIX while farming it as an experimental lease site.</p>
<p><b>5.</b> Describe the presence and extent of submerged aquatic vegetation, i.e. eelgrass, within the proposed lease area. Please include the date of this observation along with the method of observation. If submerged aquatic vegetation is observed, please also describe the abundance below and sketch the limits of the beds in the vicinity map.</p>
<p>We have seen no presence of submerged aquatic vegetation within the proposed lease site.</p>



6. Describe the general shoreline and upland characteristics (rocky shoreline, forested, residential, etc.)

Flat and Seal Islands are the two closest shorelines. Flat Island is flat with few trees and lots of tall grasses. Seal Island is wooded with steep shale cliffs.

E. Is your proposed lease located within a Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife designated Essential Habitat?

Yes  No

**Note:** The location of Essential Habitats in the State of Maine, along with information on how projects within these areas are reviewed, can be found here: <https://www.maine.gov/ifw/fish-wildlife/wildlife/endangered-threatened-species/essential-wildlife-habitat/index.html>

*If a project is located within an Essential Habitat*, applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the MDIFW Environmental Review Coordinator ([John.Perry@maine.gov](mailto:John.Perry@maine.gov), phone: 207-287-5254) prior to application submission.

## 12. EXISTING USES

A. Describe the existing uses of the proposed area in questions A.1 through A.5 below. Please include the a) type; b) time of year the activity occurs; c) frequency; and d) proximity to the lease site.

### 1. Commercial Fishing

The area is currently used for lobster fishing for roughly six months of the year (June - November) as is most of Penobscot Bay. We have had no negative interactions with lobstermen during the almost 3 years the proposed site has been operating as an experimental lease.

### 2. Recreational Fishing

Some recreational fishing has been observed in the area during the summer months. We have had no negative interactions with recreational fishermen during the almost 3 years the proposed site has been operating as an experimental lease.

**3. Boating Activities (please also include the distance to any navigable channel(s) from your proposed site at low water).**

Recreational boaters go between the north tip of Flat Island and the South Tip of Seal Island and they will go along the coast of Islesboro in a North South direction. We worked with the Harbormaster of Islesboro to place the lease site in a way that reduces impact for all boat traffic.

The main navigational channel that separates Flat Island and Islesboro Island is located more than 1,100 feet to the south of the proposed lease site. Boats navigating between Flat Island and Seal Island will have more than 1,050 feet of navigable water to the north of the of the proposal.

**4. Riparian Ingress/Egress**

There are no riparian owners within 1000' of the lease site. See information above for distance to closest areas of ingress/egress.

**5. Other uses (kayaking, swimming, etc.):**

There may be occasional kayakers in the area during the summer months but have had no negative interactions with other uses while farming PEN Fix.

**B. Are there private docks, moorings, or other access points within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease? If yes, please include approximate distance from the proposed lease.**

N/A. The closest private docks and moorings are located on Seal Island approx. 1,600 feet to the north of the proposed lease site.

**C. Are there public beaches, parks, docking facilities or federally, state, or municipally conserved lands within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease site? If yes, please describe and include approximate distances from proposed lease.**

N/A. The closest public mooring field and pier are located within Seal Harbor, which is approx. 2,500 feet from the east of the proposed lease site.



### 13. EXCLUSIVE USE

If your lease is granted, what activities would you request be excluded from occurring within the boundaries of the lease site? In your answer please address applicable commercial and recreational fishing, boating activities, and other activities you listed in the 'Existing Uses' section of this application.

Any part of the lease site that is not covered by aquaculture gear is able to be used by both recreational and commercial fishermen/boaters. Lobstering would be allowed around the site but not where we have our physical structures so that the gear does not become entangled with the aquaculture gear. We have not heard of any problems with exclusive use from existing uses while farming PEN Flx.

**14. RIPARIAN LANDOWNERS AND SITE ACCESS**

- A. If your lease is within 1,000ft of shorefront land (which extends to mean low water or 1,650 ft. from shore, whichever is less), the following supporting documents are required:

Not applicable – not within 1,000 ft of shorefront land. However, we have listed MDIFW on the Riparian Landowner List as the closest landowner (Flat Island).

Based on their feedback on our draft standard lease site, we have maintained a 1,320 foot buffer from the proposed lease site and Flat Island to minimize the potential for disruption or conflict with sea birds.

1. A labeled copy of a tax map(s) depicting the location of the proposed lease site and including the following elements:
  - Label the map “Tax Map: Town of (name of town).”
  - Legible scale
  - Tax lot numbers clearly displayed
  - The boundaries of the proposed lease
2. Please use the Riparian Landowner List (included on the next page) to list the name and address of every shorefront landowner within 1,000ft of the proposed lease site. Have the tax collector or clerk of the municipality certify the list.
3. If any portion of the site is intertidal, you need to complete the steps outlined in the section titled: “19. Landowner/Municipal Permission Requirements”.

<p><b>B. Will your access to the lease area be across riparian land?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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**Note:** If you selected yes, you will need to complete the landowner permission requirements included in “19. Landowner/Municipal Permission Requirements” of this application.

<p><b>C. How will you access the proposed site?</b></p>
<p>We will access the proposed lease site by boat departing from one of two public access points on Islesboro, located at the Grindle Point and Seal Harbor.</p>

<p><b>D. How will your proposed activities affect riparian ingress and egress?</b></p>
<p>N/A</p>



**RIPARIAN LANDOWNER  
LIST**

*\*THIS LIST MUST BE  
**CERTIFIED\****

On this list, please show the current landowners' names and mailing addresses as listed in the municipal tax records for all riparian shorefront parcels within 1,000 feet of the proposed lease site along with the map and lot number for each parcel. **It is the applicant's responsibility to assemble the information for the Town Clerk to certify.** The Town Clerk only certifies that the information is correct according to the Town's records. Once you have completed the form, ask the Town Clerk to complete the certification section below. If the parcels are within more than one municipality, provide a separate, certified riparian list for each municipality.

**TOWN OF: ISLESBORO**

MAP #	LOT #	Landowner name(s) and address(es)
20	1	State of Maine, Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife  284 State St, Augusta, ME 04330

**Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach hereto.**

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Tina Bendlehn, <sup>Deputy</sup> Town Clerk for the Town of Islesboro, ME certify that the names and addresses of the property owners listed above, as well as the map and lot numbers, are those listed in the records of this municipality and are current as of this date.

SIGNED:  DATE: 10/30/2020



## 15. TECHNICAL CAPABILITY

Provide information regarding professional expertise. Attaching resume or documentation of practical experience necessary to accomplish the proposed project would satisfy this requirement.

Josh has worked on the water for almost 30 years. He has lobstered commercially since 1997, after receiving a business degree in resource economics.

Josh and Shey Conover have owned and operated Islesboro Marine Enterprises, a full-service boatyard on Islesboro for the past 7 years – with experience operating and maintaining commercial vessels, moorings and floats.

For the past 4 years, through Islesboro Marine they have farmed blue mussels commercially. Currently maintaining 10 rafts located at PEN BB and PEN FIX.

## 16. FINANCIAL CAPABILITY

### A. Financial Capability

Please provide documentation to show you have the financial resources to implement the proposal. For example, you may submit a letter from a financial institution or funding agency indicating that you have an account in good standing, or their willingness to commit funds.

**Note:** Any financial information you submit with your application is part of the public record. Please exercise discretion when submitting financial information.

See attached letter from The First National Bank.

### B. Cost Estimates

Please provide cost estimates of the proposed aquaculture activities.

Annual operating costs (includes labor, insurance, operating supplies, fuel, and equipment loan service): \$200,000.



**17. ESCROW ACCOUNT OR PERFORMANCE BOND**

Check the category that describes your operation:

Check Here	Lease Category	Amount of Required Escrow or Performance Bond
<input type="checkbox"/>	No gear/structure, no discharge	None
<input type="checkbox"/>	No gear/structure, discharge	\$500.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	≤ 400 square feet of gear/structure, no discharge	\$1,500.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	>400 square feet of gear/structure, no discharge	\$5,000.00*
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gear/Structure, discharge	\$25,000.00

\*DMR may increase the bond/escrow requirements for leases with more than 2,000 square feet of structure.

I, (*printed name of applicant*) Shey Conover have read DMR Aquaculture Regulations Chapter 2.64(10) (D) and if this proposed lease is granted by DMR, I will either open an escrow account or obtain a performance bond, in the amount determined by the lease category.

 VP  
**Applicant Signature**

2/16/2021  
**Date**

*Note: Add title if signing on behalf of a corporate applicant.*

**ADDITIONAL APPLICANTS:** Each applicant must sign this section indicating that they will open an escrow account or obtain a performance bond. Use the space below for additional persons listed on the application. You may attach additional pages, if necessary.

I, (*printed name of applicant*) Joshua Conover have read DMR Aquaculture Regulations Chapter 2.64(10) (D) and if this proposed lease is granted by DMR, I will either open an escrow account or obtain a performance bond, in the amount determined by the lease category.

 President  
**Applicant Signature**

2-16-2021  
**Date**


*Note: Add title if signing on behalf of a corporate applicant.*

**18. APPLICANT SIGNATURE PAGE**

I hereby state that the information included in this application is true and correct. I have also read and understand the requirements of the Department's rules governing aquaculture and the application instructions pertaining to the standard lease process.

Printed name: Shey Conover

Title (if corporate applicant): Vice-President

Signature:  Date: 2/16/2020

18 U.S.C. Section 1001 provides that: Whoever, in any manner within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up any trick, scheme, or disguises a material fact or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or entry, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years or both.

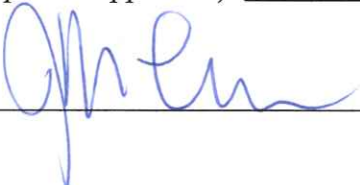
**Note:**

- All applicants must sign and date this page. Please use the space below, if additional signatures are required.
- Corporate applicants, please be sure to include the title(s) (i.e. President, Treasurer, etc.) of the individual(s) signing on the company's behalf.

**Additional Applicant:**

Printed name: Joshua Conover

Title (if corporate applicant): President

Signature:  Date: 2/16/2020



**19. LANDOWNER/MUNCIPAL PERMISSION REQUIREMENTS *(if applicable)***

Not applicable

**CORPORATE APPLICANT FORM**  
**For Standard and Experimental Aquaculture Lease Applications**

Corporations or partnerships that apply for aquaculture leases in the State of Maine must complete this form. Corporations must submit information as requested under A. Corporate Applicant. Partnerships must submit information as requested under B. Partnership Applicant.

**A. Corporate Applicant**

**Note:** You must attach a copy of the Articles of Incorporation (Inc.) or Certificate of Formation (LLC) to your application.

1. Name of Corporation: Islesboro Marine Enterprises, Inc.
2. Date of incorporation: 9/26/1977 State of incorporation: Maine
3. List the names, addresses, and titles of all officers:

Name	Address	Title
Joshua Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd. Islesboro, ME 04848	President, Treasurer
Shey Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd. Islesboro, ME 04848	Vice-President, Secretary
Lee Woodward, Jr	56 Main Street, Belfast, ME 04915	Clerk

**Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach to the application.**

4. List the names and addresses of all directors/members:

Name	Address
Joshua Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd, Islesboro ME 04848
Shey Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd, Islesboro ME 04848

**Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach to the application.**

5. Has the corporation, or any stockholder, director, or officer applied for an aquaculture lease for Maine lands in the past?  Yes  No

Islesboro Marine Enterprises, Inc. applied for and currently farms PEN FIX.

6. List the names and addresses of all stockholders who own or control at least 5% of the outstanding stock and the percentage of outstanding stock currently owned or controlled by each stockholder.

Name	Address	Percentage of Owned Stock
Joshua Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd Islesboro, ME 04848	49%
Shey Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd Islesboro, ME 04848	51%

**Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach to the application.**

7. List the names and addresses of stockholders, directors, or officers owning an interest, either directly or beneficially, in any other Maine aquaculture leases, as well as the quantity of acreage from existing aquaculture leases attributed to each such person. If none, write, "None."

Name	Address	Lease Acronym	Acreage
Joshua Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd Islesboro, ME 04848	PEN FIX	4
Shey Conover	133 Marshall Cove Rd Islesboro, ME 04848	PEN FIX	4

**Please use additional sheets if necessary and attach to the application.**

8. Has the corporation or any officer, director, member, or shareholder listed in item 5 above ever been arrested, indicted, convicted of, or adjudicated to be responsible for any violation of any marine resources or environmental protection law, whether state or federal?

Yes     No

If you selected "yes", please provide details.



Filing Fee \$50.00 plus fee based on authorized capital stock

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Fee Paid .....	\$10. + \$50.
C.B. ....	
Date .....	9-27-77

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STATE OF MAINE  
**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
 OF  
**ISLESBORO MARINE ENTERPRISES, INC.**  
 (insert corporate name)

MAINE SECRETARY OF STATE FILED

September 26, 1977

*Christ Hayes*  
 AGENT

A true copy attest:

*Christ Hayes*  
 AGENT

Pursuant to 13-A MRSA § 403, the undersigned, acting as incorporator(s) of a corporation, adopt(s) the following Articles of Incorporation:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is ISLESBORO MARINE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
 and it is located in Maine, at ISLESBORO, MAINE 04848

SECOND: The name of its Clerk, who must be a Maine resident, and the address of its registered office shall be:  
 Name JOSEPH D. MOSER  
 Street & Number 7 MAIN STREET  
 City BELFAST, Maine 04915

THIRD: ("X" one box only)

- a. The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the corporation is TWO (See § 703, 1. A.)
- b. If the initial directors have been selected, the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of the shareholders or until their successors are elected and shall qualify are:

Name	Address
<u>EARL A. MACKENZIE</u>	<u>ISLESBORO, MAINE 04848</u>
<u>CHRISTOPHER B. DAY</u>	<u>ISLESBORO, MAINE 04848</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____

- There shall be no directors initially; the shares of the corporation will not be sold to more than twenty (20) persons; the business of the corporation will be managed by the shareholders. (See § 703, 1. B.)

FOURTH: ("X" one box only)

The board of directors is  is not  authorized to increase or decrease the number of directors.

If the board is so authorized, the minimum number, if any, shall be TWO

directors, (See § 703, 1. A.) and the maximum number, if any, shall be FIVE directors.

FIFTH: ("X" one box only)

There shall be only one class of shares, viz. COMMON  
(title of class)  
Par value of each share (if none, so state) \$100.00  
Number of shares authorized 1,000

There shall be two or more classes of shares.

The information required by § 403 concerning each such class is set out in Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SUMMARY

The aggregate par value of all authorized shares (of all classes) having a par value is \$ 100,000.00

The total number of authorized shares (of all classes) without par value is \_\_\_\_\_ shares.

SIXTH: ("X" one box only)

Meetings of the shareholders may  may not  be held outside the State of Maine.

SEVENTH: ("X" if applicable) There are no preemptive rights.

EIGHTH: Other provisions of these articles, if any, including provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation, are set out in Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Dated: September 1, 1977

INCORPORATORS

RESIDENCE ADDRESSES

*Earl A. Mackenzie*  
(sign)

Street \_\_\_\_\_

EARL A. MACKENZIE

ISLESBORO, MAINE 04848

(type or print name)

(city, state and zip code)

*Christopher B. Day*  
(sign)

Street \_\_\_\_\_

CHRISTOPHER B. DAY

ISLESBORO, MAINE 04848

(type or print name)

(city, state and zip code)

Street \_\_\_\_\_

(sign)

(type or print name)

(city, state and zip code)

For Corporate Incorporators

Street \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_  
(sign)

(city, state and zip code)

(type or print name and capacity)

Articles are to be executed as follows:

If a corporation is an incorporator (§402), the name of the corporation should be typed and signed on its behalf by an officer of the corporation. The address of the principal place of business of the incorporator corporation should be given. The articles of incorporation must be accompanied by a certificate of an appropriate officer of the corporation certifying that the person executing the articles on behalf of the corporation was duly authorized to do so.

**First National Bank**  
114 Commercial Street  
P.O. Box 1137  
Rockport, ME 04856  
Phone: 207.563.3195 Ext: 2812  
Fax: 207.236.4277  
Email: Samantha.hill@thefirst.com

October 19th, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this document as record of consideration for Islesboro Marine Enterprises' aquaculture lease application. The company (and its Officers, Josh and Shey Conover) have held accounts at First National Bank for 16 years. During this time, they have remained customers in good standing. Over the years, the Bank has granted numerous loans to the company and its officers. First National Bank is committed to helping small businesses, and we look forward to a continued relationship with Islesboro Marine Enterprises, and Josh and Shey Conover, to help support their business ventures.

Should you have any questions regarding this information you may contact me directly by phone at the telephone number listed above.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:  
  
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Samantha A. Hill  
Vice President  
Commercial Portfolio Manager