Sea Lice Report February 2012

Elevated Lice Levels

Sea lice levels which are in excess of treatment trigger levels set out in “Monitoring Protocol No. 3 for Offshore Finfish Farms- Sea Lice Monitoring and Control” (DMNR 2000) & “A strategy for improved pest control on Irish salmon farm” (DAFF 2008). A notice to carry out a sea lice treatment (NTT) is issued on the basis of elevated sea lice levels. Treatment triggers during the spring period (March, April, May,) are from 0.3 to 0.5 egg bearing female sea lice per fish. Outside of the critical spring period, a level of 2.0 egg bearing sea lice per fish acts as a trigger for a NTT.

Elevated sea lice levels were recorded at:

- Fraochoilean, Bifand Ltd, Ballinakill Harbour
- Hawks Nest, Mannin Bay Salmon Company Ltd, Clifden Bay
- Rosroe, Marine Harvest Ireland, Killary Harbour

Sample Details

All samples were obtained. Appendix 1 shows the location of all active fish farms site.
Appendix 1

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