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March 12, 2026

Sent via mail and email to:

Frenchman Bay Oyster Company
Attn: Graham Platner
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RE: Compliance SULL II

Dear Graham Platner:

During the October 2024 inspection of the site listed above, the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) documented several site marking issues, which were sent to you via email on December 16, 2024. The communication also included information about DMR's site marking requirements, including a link to regulatory standards. According to our records, you did not respond to the communication.

The site was reinspected on August 6, 2025, and many of the issues documented in 2024 were not resolved.

Please make sure the site is marked and remains marked in accordance with Chapter 2.75 and 2.80. If you have questions or concerns about site marking requirements, please contact the Aquaculture Division at the contact information below.

On or before **March 26, 2026**, please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

By **April 30, 2026**, you need to:

- Respond to DMR with photographs of SULL II marked in compliance with Chapter 2.80 requirements. This includes ensuring that all corners of the site are marked.
- Please send the photos as file types JPG or PDF. Do not send photos as type HEIC.

If we do not receive documentation by the deadline listed above, then this issue will be referred to Marine Patrol for follow-up.

Marking Issues:

Chapter 2.80(1) and Chapter 2.75(1) Marking Procedures for Aquaculture Leases and Marking Compliance Standards

- Corner markers were not labeled correctly.

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- Corner markers were missing.
- Boundary markers did not reflect the leased area.
- The southeastern tract of the lease was unmarked.

You must ensure that the lease site is marked in accordance with Chapter 2.80 of DMR's regulations and the markers reflect the area granted. Verify the site coordinates and placement of corner markers. Chapter 2.80 has specific marking requirements governing how they must be labeled, deployed, etc. All lease tracts must be marked in accordance with these requirements. Lease holders must maintain site markers pursuant to Chapter 2.75(1).

To review the full text of the relevant citation, DMR's regulations are available at the link below. Please review Chapter 2 'Aquaculture Regulations.'

<https://www.maine.gov/dmr/rules-enforcement/regulations-rules>

If you have questions or concerns with these findings, please contact the DMR Aquaculture Inspection team at DMRAquaculture@maine.gov or 207-350-7815 immediately.

Sincerely,



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