

Amendment No.1 to the Great Oyster Bay and  
Mercury Passage Marine Farming Development Plan  
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## **I.9 Management Controls Relating to Nitrogen Outputs from Finfish Farming** **Finfish**

- i) The Director, Environmental Protection Authority, may, from time to time, determine the total permissible dissolved nitrogen output (TPDNO), within specified periods, attributable to licensed finfish marine farming operations (ie; carried out under a licence issued under Part 4 of the *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995*), for a specified area.
- ii) A specified area may constitute:  
An area or multiple areas covered by this plan, or  
All the area covered by this plan.
- iii) For the purpose of assessing quantities of dissolved nitrogen output attributable to licensed finfish marine farming operations, the Director may use any method that the Director is satisfied delivers a proper measure of total dissolved nitrogen output from finfish marine farming operations.
- iv) On making a determination under section 1.9 clause i), the Director is to apportion the TPDNO, or a portion of the TPDNO, between the leaseholders licensed for finfish marine farming operations within that specified area or if a lease is sub-leased, any sub-lease holders within the specified area.
- v) An individual apportionment made under section 1.9 clause iv) may be nil.
- vi) An individual apportionment made under section 1.9 clause iv) may be made in respect of two or more leaseholders, as if they were a single leaseholder.
- vii) On the making of an apportionment under section 1.9 clause iv), the Director is to notify each of the relevant leaseholders, or if a lease is sub-leased, any sublease holders, in writing of the individual apportionment made in respect of that leaseholder or sub-lease holder.
- viii) A leaseholder, or if a lease is sub-leased, any sublease holders, notified in accordance with section 1.9 clause vii) must comply with that notice.

## **I.2 Environmental Controls Relating to Monitoring**

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- (vi) The Secretary may require from time to time, by notice in writing, a lessee, at the lessee's expense, or a sub-lessee, at the sub-lessee's expense, to engage an independent auditor determined by the Secretary, to undertake an audit, as specified by the Secretary, of a lessee or sub-lessee's business records, and record keeping practices in respect of the carrying out of licensed marine farming operations.
- (vii) An audit undertaken under section 1.2 clause (vi), may include an assessment of the accuracy and truthfulness of records with respect to the physical parameters being recorded under section 1.2 (finfish) for the purpose of determining compliance with any management control or licence condition.