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Shearer Seafood Products Ltd.  
9300 Alaska Way  
Delta, BC V4C 4R6

Dear Mr. Shearer:

**Re: Notice Letter, Permit 7785, DELTA**

On March 08, 2018, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Environmental Protection Division staff conducted an office review inspection of the Shearer Seafood Products Ltd. facility located at 9300 Alaska Way, Delta, BC, with authorization number 7785 under the *Environmental Management Act*. Ministry staff spoke with Richard Shearer, Shearer Fish Company Ltd. over the phone to conduct this inspection.

**Inspection Details:**

Requirement Description:	<b>1. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES, 1.1</b> 1.1.1: 1.1 This section applies to the discharge of effluent from a from a fish processing plant. The site reference number for this discharge is E219420. 1.1.1 The maximum rate of discharge is 4.6 cubic metres per day.
Details/Findings:	On March 8, 2018, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (ENV), Environmental Protection Division staff conducted an office review inspection of the Shearer Fish Company Ltd's facility (Facility) located at 9300 Alaska Way, Delta, BC, Permit 7785, authorized under the <i>Environmental Management Act</i> (EMA).  There is no requirement in the permit to collect flow measurements. Therefore, compliance with this requirement could not be determined.
Compliance:	Not Determined
Actions to be taken:	

Requirement Description:	<b>1. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES, 1.1</b> 1.1.3: 1.1 This section applies to the discharge of effluent from a from a fish processing plant. The site reference number for this discharge is E219420. 1.1.3 The characteristics of the effluent at the outlet of the settling tank must be equivalent to or better than typical uncontaminated cooling water and process effluent from a fish processing plant after passing through screens with 0.7 mm openings (25 mesh screens).
Details/Findings:	Mr. Shearer indicated that when in operation, the characteristics of the effluent at the outlet of the settling tank is still equivalent to or better than typical uncontaminated cooling water and process effluent from the fish processing plant after it passes through screens with 0.7 mm openings (25 mesh screens).
Compliance:	In
Actions to be taken:	
Requirement Description:	<b>1. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES, 1.1</b> 1.1.4: 1.1 This section applies to the discharge of effluent from a from a fish processing plant. The site reference number for this discharge is E219420. 1.1.4 The authorized works are a settling tank, 25 mesh screens, a submerged outfall located at least 15 metres from the shore and at a minimum depth of 3.6 metres at low water and related appurtenances approximately located as shown on Site Plan A.
Details/Findings:	Mr. Shearer confirmed that there is a settling tank, 25 mesh screens, a submerged outfall in place at the facility.
Compliance:	In
Actions to be taken:	
Requirement Description:	<b>1. AUTHORIZED DISCHARGES, 1.1</b> 1.1.5: 1.1 This section applies to the discharge of effluent from a from a fish processing plant. The site reference number for this discharge is E219420. 1.1.5 The authorized works must be complete and in operation while discharging.

Details/Findings:	The facility was not in operation at the time of the inspection as the processing season begins between late June, early July. Therefore, compliance with this requirement is not applicable.
Compliance:	Not Applicable
Actions to be taken:	
Requirement Description:	<b>2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS, 2.1 Maintenance of Works and Emergency Procedures</b> 2.1: 2.1 The authorized works must be inspected regularly and maintained in good working order. In the event of an emergency or condition beyond the control of the permittee which prevents effective operation of the authorized works or leads to an unauthorized discharge, the permittee must take appropriate remedial action and notify the Regional Director, Environmental Protection immediately. The Director may reduce or suspend operations to protect the environment until the authorized works has been restored, and/or corrective steps taken to prevent unauthorized discharges.
Details/Findings:	The authorized works were not observed at the time of this inspection. Therefore, it was not determined if the works are maintained in good working order.
Compliance:	Not Determined
Actions to be taken:	
Requirement Description:	<b>2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS, 2.2 Bypasses</b> 2.2: 2.2 Any bypass of the authorized works is prohibited unless the approval of the Director is obtained and confirmed in writing.
Details/Findings:	No bypasses of the authorized works have occurred during 2016 and 2017. Therefore, compliance with this requirement is not applicable.

Compliance:	Not Applicable
Actions to be taken:	
Requirement Description:	<b>2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS, 2.3 Process Modifications</b> 2.3: 2.3 The Director must be notified prior to implementing changes to any process that may adversely affect the quality and/or quantity of the discharge. Despite notification under this section, permitted levels must not be exceeded.
Details/Findings:	Mr. Shearer indicated that there have been no changes to the authorized works since this permit was issued. Therefore, compliance with this requirement is not applicable.
Compliance:	Not Applicable
Actions to be taken:	
Requirement Description:	<b>2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS, 2.4 Solids Disposal</b> 2.4: 2.4 Solids from the settling tank must be disposed of in a manner acceptable to the Director.
Details/Findings:	Solids from the settling tank are picked up on a regular basis (when operating) and used for composting purposes.
Compliance:	In
Actions to be taken:	

This is the first electronic compliance record for this authorization, since January 1, 2012.

The facility was found to be in compliance with its Permit, and the sections listed above.

Please be advised that this inspection report may be published on the provincial government website within 7 days.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Connor Fraleigh  
Environmental Protection Officer

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