

STATE OF MAINE  
BUREAU OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

NORDIC AQUAFARMS, INC.	)	
Applications Pursuant to Air Emissions,	)	<b>Maine &amp; Company</b>
MEPDES, SLODA and NRPA	)	<b>Petition to Intervene</b>
1-28319-26-A-N/L-28319-TG-B-N	)	
L-28319-4E-C-N/L-28319-L6-D-N	)	
Proposed Salmon Aquaculture Facility	)	

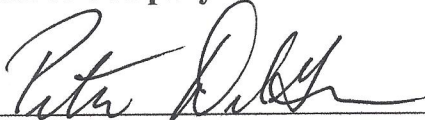
Maine & Company, by and through its undersigned representative, hereby files this request to intervene in the above captioned proceeding. On May 17, 2019, Nordic Aquafarms, Inc. (“NAF”) filed an Application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (“Department”) pursuant to Maine’s Air Emissions, Maine Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, Site Location of Development Act and Natural Resource Protection Act to construct a salmon aquaculture facility in Belfast, Maine. On June 20, 2019, the Bureau of Environmental Protection (“BEP”) assumed jurisdiction over the project.

In accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, as amended, any party demonstrating that he, she or it is or may be “substantially and directly affected” by an agency proceeding may “intervene as a party to the proceeding.” 5 M.R.S. § 9054. On June 27, 2019, the Department issued a Notice of Opportunity to Intervene. For the reasons described more fully below, Maine & Company and a significant number of its constituent organizations may be substantially and directly affected by the BEP’s ruling on NAF’s Application due to the impacts on the business, employment and economic opportunities arising from the construction and operation of the NAF facility and the attendant growth of the aquaculture industry in Maine. Maine & Company therefore, requests that the BEP grant this petition for leave to intervene as a party in BEP proceedings regarding the NAF Application.

Maine & Company is a member funded non-profit organization with a membership comprised of many of Maine's largest private employers, higher education organizations, utilities, and financial and legal institutions with a mission of generating economic and employment opportunities for communities like Belfast and for the Maine & Company members.

Date: July 11, 2019

**Maine & Company**

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