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Attention: Director, Industry, Key Sites and Social Projects

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Dear Mr Hazzard

Application Name: Proposed Pindimar Abalone Farm

Application #: MP 10_0006

I object to the proposed Pindimar Abalone Farm.

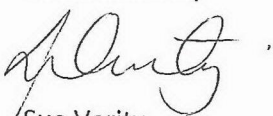
Declaration re: political donations: I declare that I have not made any political donations in the previous two years.

Reasons why I object to the proposal:

Recently an unknown disease has almost destroyed the valuable Pacific Oyster industry in Port Stephens. The proposed Pindimar Abalone Project, now on exhibition, seeks to build a large land based abalone farm and siphon 50 megalitres of water daily through the farm, and then back into our Port. Abalone farms are incubators of disease, as has been expensively demonstrated in Victoria, and we strongly object to another source of possible disease being introduced into this fragile, beautiful, and valuable location.

Abalone is not a vital foodstuff, but an exotic delicacy most Australians would never eat, and yet our beautiful Australian site will be used at great risk to produce a product that will mostly be exported, to the financial gain of a few investors.

Yours sincerely



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