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### PUBLIC NOTICE

File Number: 2011-02-049 Date: November 3, 2015

This office has under consideration the application of:

Mark Goerner  
95A Howland Avenue  
Jamestown, RI 02835

for a modification to State of Rhode Island Assent by: adding two species of kelp, *Laminaria saccharina* and *Laminaria digitata* to be grown at an existing 4.8 acre aquaculture farm. An electronic version of the application is available upon request.

Project Location:	West Passage
City/Town:	Jamestown
Plat/Lot:	/
Waterway:	West Passage

Plans of the proposed work may be seen at the CRMC office in Wakefield.

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws) you may request a hearing on this matter.

You are advised that if you have good reason to enter protests against the proposed work it is your privilege to do so. It is expected that objectors will review the application and plans thoroughly, visit site of proposed work if necessary, to familiarize themselves with the conditions and cite what law or laws, if any, would in their opinion be violated by the work proposed.

If you desire to protest, you must attend the scheduled hearing and give sworn testimony. A notice of the time and place of such hearing will be furnished you as soon as possible after receipt of your request for hearing. If you desire to request a hearing, to receive consideration, it should be in writing (**with your correct mailing address, e-mail address and valid contact number**) and be received at this office on or before December 3, 2015.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
Coastal Resources Management Council  
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**CRMC ASSENT MODIFICATION REQUEST FORM**

File Number of Assent/Permit: 2011-02-049 Expiration date (including extensions): June 24, 2026

Name which Assent was issued to: Mark Goernor

Location of Project: West Passage, Narragansett Bay

City/Town Jamestown Plat: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Owner: Mark Goernor

Mailing Address: 95A Howland Avenue, Jamestown

State: Rhode Island

Zip Code: 02835

Phone No. Bus: 401.924.1121 Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person: Mark Goernor

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I hereby certify that the names and addresses of adjacent property owners whose property adjoins the project site are accurate and current as of the date of application. If said names and addresses are found to be not accurate and/or current, any subsequent Assent may become Null and Void. Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the proposed modification(s), including the reasons for change: Modification: To add two new species to my lease – sugar kelp (*Laminaria saccharina*) and horsetail kelp (*Laminaria digitata*). The kelp will be cultivated on submerged long-lines (see attached plans). Dr. Charles Yarish is a professor at the University of Connecticut who specializes in seaweed research and Scott Lindell is the Director of the Scientific Aquaculture Program and the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA. Dr. Yarish and Scott Lindell both have fully equipped lab where they are able to isolate and propagate kelp spores originating from wild native specimens collected from Narragansett Bay. Dr. Yarish and Scott Lindell have both agreed to supply seeded grow-out twine for this project. These consist of 1mm twine wound around PVC tubes. One end of a long line is threaded through the PVC tube, the 1mm twine is tied to the long line and the boat is slowly backed away, thereby slowly winding the twine around the long line. Every 150-feet a dropper buoy and weight is spliced in to keep the long line in place. The lines will be monitored every two weeks to adjust the buoyancy of the line as the kelp grows by adding additional weights to the droppers as necessary. The final product will be harvested periodically in the early spring before the growth of fouling organisms begins to deteriorate the quality.

Reason: To experiment with a new crop that has the potential to diversify my production.

What state of construction is project in? The aquaculture operation is currently up and running.

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MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Mark Goernor  
Owner's Signature

Note: The applicant acknowledges by evidence of their signature that they have reviewed the Rhode Island Coastal Resources Management Program, and have, where possible adhered to the policies and standards of the program. The applicant also acknowledges by evidence of their signature that to the best of their knowledge the information contained in the application is true and valid. The filing of false information can result in the Coastal Resources Management Council revoking State Assent. Applicant requires that as a condition to the granting of this assent, members of the CRMC or its staff shall be access to the applicant's property to make on-site inspections to insure compliance with the assent. This application is made under oath and subject to penalties of perjury. 5/00

