This submission has been written to the best of my understanding of the process and may not fit with the standard structure of other applications.

I have not included research links, as all of this information is easily accessible, but I am happy to provide references if requested.

Concerns

Ownership: Huon is owned by Brazilian company JBS. Tassal is owned by Canadian company Cooke. Concerns over lack of taxes paid and where profits go to.

Confused why Cooke is allowed to export their salmon products to Australia, but will not import 'Tasmanian Atlantic Salmon' into Canada. Likewise with JBS, it does not import Huon products into Brazil and appears to not export products into Australia, since they own a significant portion of our local meat producers.

Advertising; Misleading labels, paid for logos that manipulate trust and that's just the packaged products. The salmon industry (Salmon Tasmania, Huon, Tassal, JBS, Cooke) continues to advertise false claims through the media and blue-washing tactics. Caged eggs are required to be labelled as such, it should be the same with caged fish.

Cost: Australian's pay one of the highest prices for farmed salmon products in the world.

Genetics: If I'm understanding correctly, these 'Tasmanian Atlantic Salmon' come from Canadian salmon imported into NSW decades ago. I am concerned with how this inbreeding system is impacting the salmon.

Life cycle: the process of spawning from inbred brood stock, mortal procurement of male testes, milking and mixing life in a bucket, when life is meant to begin in a stream- it is macabre, bizarre and

Farm conditions: 1-99% fish/water ratio is stated, but at what point at the process is that? I assume the salmon will continue to grow once put into the open-sea pens, so is that ratio relative to the first sea day, or the last?

Antibiotics: Concerned that the common person will have to research and then plan around antibiotics scheduling to ensure that they do not potentially expose themselves to harm.

Feed: (Biomar) The pellets are comprised of concerning ingredients, including soy and other plant based ingredients. It is a worry how this affects the salmon, but also how the feeding process introduces a lot of plant products into a marine ecosystem and the

following impact. While it does appear that the feed is manufactured primarily in Wesley Vale, the business who owns the production company is Dutch owned.

Corporate links: Concern with funding, links with Shell and other energy corporations. There appears to be direct links with political figures, lobby and investment companies and other questionable large-scale projects across Tasmania (including Macquarie Point and changes in local council zoning, planning schemes and golf courses).

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