

IN THE COMPETITION APPEAL TRIBUNAL

BETWEEN:

WATERSIDE CLASS LIMITED

Applicant / Proposed Class Representative

Case No: 1643/7/7/24

- v -

(1) MOWI ASA
(2) MOWI HOLDING AS
(3) GRIEG SEAFOOD ASA
(4) SALMAR ASA
(5) LERØY SEAFOOD GROUP ASA
(6) SCOTTISH SEA FARMS LIMITED

Respondents / Proposed Defendants

ORDER

UPON the Applicant's/Proposed Class Representative's ("PCR") application filed on 20 June 2024 for a Collective Proceedings Order pursuant to section 47B of the Competition Act 1998 and Rule 75 of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules (S.I. 2015 No. 1648) (the "Tribunal Rules") (the "CPO Application")

AND UPON acknowledgements of service having been filed by the First and Third Respondents/Proposed Defendants on 27 November 2024, the Second Respondent/Proposed Defendant on 15 April 2025, the Fourth Respondent/Proposed Defendant on 25 November 2024, the Fifth Respondent/Proposed Defendant on 14 April 2025, and the Sixth Respondent/Proposed Defendant on 17 July 2024

AND UPON the Parties having filed on 29 October 2025 an agreed draft directions order for the Tribunal's consideration

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

Forum

1. Pursuant to Rules 18, 52 and 74 of the Tribunal Rules, the CPO Application be treated as proceedings in England and Wales.

Case Management Conference

2. The Case Management Conference currently listed for **24 November 2025** be vacated.

Publicity

- 3. Within one week of the date of this Order, the PCR shall publicise the CPO Application in accordance with the proposal set out in paragraphs 6.2 to 6.5 of the Notice and Administration Plan, exhibited to the PCR's First Witness Statement as [AEH1/D5.3]. The notice shall include:
 - (a) the right under Rule 76(10)(c) of the Tribunal Rules of persons with an interest to object to the CPO Application or the authorisation of the PCR and the deadline for such objection; and
 - (b) the right under Rule 79(5) of the Tribunal Rules of members of the proposed class to make an application to the Tribunal for permission to make oral submissions at the hearing of the CPO Application.

Responses and Reply

2. By **4pm** on **5 December 2025**, the Proposed Defendants shall file and serve a single consolidated response to the CPO Application (the "**Joint Response**"), with liberty for each Proposed Defendant to file an annex to the Joint Response incorporating any individual responses on points that are not pursued by all Proposed Defendants, together with any economic expert and factual evidence. Any economic expert evidence filed should be no more than 50 pages in length.

3. By **4pm** on **23 January 2026** the PCR shall file and serve any reply to the Joint Response and any annexes thereto, together with any economic expert and factual evidence in response to any economic expert and factual evidence filed with the Joint Response (if so advised). Any economic expert evidence filed should be no more than 50 pages in length.

Objections to the CPO Application and Applications for Permission to make Observations

- 4. Any person with an interest (including any member of the proposed class) may object to the CPO Application or the authorisation of the PCR by writing to the Tribunal stating their reasons for objecting by **4pm** on **14 January 2026.** Any member of the proposed class may also seek permission to make oral observations at the CPO Application hearing, by making an application for such permission, with reasons, as part of his/her written objections.
- 5. Any third party with a legitimate interest (who is not a member of the proposed class) who seeks permission to make written and/or oral observations at the CPO Application hearing is to make such application, supported by reasons, to the Tribunal by 4pm on 14 January 2026.

Skeleton Arguments and Bundles

- 6. The parties shall seek to agree the hearing bundle for the CPO Application hearing and the PCR shall serve on the Respondents/Proposed Defendants an electronic version of the agreed hearing bundle no later than **4pm** on **17 February 2026.**
- 7. The parties shall file and serve skeleton arguments (with bundle cross-referencing) of no more than 30 pages in length for the hearing of the CPO Application by 4pm on 24 February 2026. The Proposed Defendants shall file and serve a single consolidated skeleton (the "Joint Skeleton"), with liberty for each Proposed Defendant to file and serve an annex of no more than five pages in length to the Joint Skeleton addressing any individual points that are not pursued by all Proposed Defendants.

8. The PCR shall file an electronic version of the agreed hearing bundle by 4pm on 24

February 2026 and an agreed electronic authorities bundle by 4pm on 25 February

2026.

9. Hard copy versions of electronic bundles, if requested by the Registry, are to be

provided to the Tribunal as soon as possible following such a request being made.

Hearing

10. The hearing of the CPO Application shall be listed on 4 March 2026 with a time

estimate of two days.

Costs

11. Costs in the case.

General

12. By agreement the parties may vary without further order any deadline in this Order

(except for those under paragraphs 7 and 8) for a period or periods of up to 14 days in

total without reference to the Tribunal provided that they inform the Tribunal of such

agreement in advance of the expiry of the relevant deadline and the extension does not

affect the date of the CPO Application hearing.

13. There shall be liberty to apply.

Mr Justin Turner KC

Chair of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Drawn: 31 October 2025

Made: 31 October 2025

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