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The Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013 (Specification of Commercially Damaging Species) Order 2014

Made - - - - 17th June 2014

Laid before the Scottish Parliament 18th June 2014

Coming into force - - 23rd August 2014

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 11(1) of the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013 (Specification of Commercially Damaging Species) Order 2014 and comes into force on 23rd August 2014.

Commercially damaging species

2. For the purposes of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013 *Mytilus trossulus*(**b**) is specified as a commercially damaging species.

PAUL WHEELHOUSE Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House, Edinburgh 17th June 2014

⁽a) 2013 asp 7.

⁽b) Mytilus trossulus is a species of mussel.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order specifies *Mytilus trossulus*, a form of mussel, as a commercially damaging species for the purposes of chapter 3 of Part 1 of the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2013 ("the Act"). Chapter 3 of Part 1 of the Act makes provision concerning the notification and control of such species. Failure to notify the presence of a commercially damaging species in accordance with section 15(1) or (2) of the Act is an offence.

A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared and a copy is available from Marine Scotland, Victoria Quay, Leith, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ and online at www.legislation.gov.uk.

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