



Defra, Nobel House,
17 Smith Square,
London,
SW1P 3JR

12/04/2010

Dear Barbara Franceschinis,

**Consultation on an amendment to the order made under the Impact of Live Fish Act 1980
(ILFA)**

We are responding to this consultation on behalf of the Salmon and Trout Association and the Atlantic Salmon Trust

The Salmon and Trout Association and the Atlantic Salmon Trust welcome this proposal to tighten the regulations on the import of non-native fish by basing the regulations on taxonomic orders rather than species. The advantage of the change is that new species will be caught by the prohibition on import, provided that they fall within one of the listed orders (which they are likely to do). Currently, species have to be specifically listed, which means that there can be delays in covering new species. The change brings the ILFA regime into line with the one being proposed for fish movements.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Knight".

Paul Knight
Salmon and Trout Association Chief Executive, on behalf of the Salmon and Trout Association and Atlantic Salmon Trust