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To Scottish Environmental Protection Agency,
Copied to Animal & Plant Health Agency

Dear Sir or Madam,

I'd liked to draw your attention to two recent incidents of salmon farm morts being stored in an unsecure manner.

The first was filmed on Dunvegan Pier, Isle of Skye on Friday 17th July 2020. It shows morts stored by salmon farm company Grieg Seafood. Footage can be viewed on Facebook [here](#):

The second was also filmed on Skye on 17th July 2020. This time near Greshornish Pier, Loch Greshornish. It shows morts stored by salmon farm company Mowi. Footage can be viewed on Facebook [here](#):

In both cases the dead salmon were left in public places in containers covered by loosely fitting lids which could have been removed by inquisitive children or blown off by strong winds. Once the lids are removed the containers could be accessed by birds, foxes, mink, otters, rats and other scavengers. If the morts include diseased fish or fish contaminated by chemicals or medications this would create a risk to wildlife and the wider environment.

I know that the campaigner who filmed these incidents observes strict hygiene protocols include disinfecting his equipment and footwear. He also left the containers with the lids in place though it was impossible to make them secure.

I would be grateful if you would investigate these incidents to determine if these morts were stored legally. If they were not stored in a legal manner I ask that action be taken against the companies involved. If the morts were being stored legally I ask that you review current legislation with a view to bringing the law covering storage of such waste up to a far safer standard to protect wildlife, the environment, the public and those whose job it is to deal with this waste.

I look forward to your reply.

Yours faithfully,

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For Animal Concern