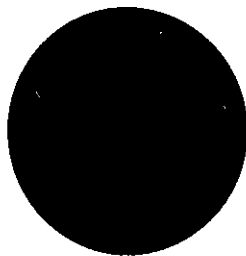


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March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Ashton Spinney, President  
LFA 34  
Lower Argyle, NS  
B0W 1W0

Dear Mr. Spinney,

The Municipality of the District of Argyle, in its recent meeting, unanimously agreed to voice its concern regarding owner operator licenses.

The lobster fishery in our region is the lifeblood of our community. The owner operator rules allow for our local residents to fish and live in our community. Our youth rely on these rules to continue a longstanding tradition of lobster fishing, where licenses are often passed on to generations.

We strongly support the current owner operator rules that are in place, to protect the integrity of our industry, to ensure our youth continue to have opportunities to work and live in our area. The Municipality is very concerned that changes to these rules will result in large corporations taking over lobster fishing in the area, thereby dramatically changing the way of life in our Municipality.

We strongly encourage LFA 34 to forward our position, and we thank you for your ongoing work to preserve the industry.

Sincerely,

Richard I. Donaldson  
Deputy Warden