

Correspondence from Small Business Regulatory Review Board

Governor's Small Business Regulatory Review Board

November 25, 2008

Matthew J. Frank, Secretary
Department of Natural Resources
101 South Webster St., Box 7921
Madison, WI 53707

Re: DNR-40 – Invasive Species
CR08-074

Dear Secretary Frank:

The Small Business Regulatory Review Board (SBRRB) acknowledges receipt of the DNR's response to their concerns related to proposed administrative rule, DNR-40, a rule to classify and control invasive species. The SBRRB concurs that the DNR has adequately addressed the concerns raised in the SBRRB's September 8th letter by recognizing the need to continue working with representatives of the Wisconsin Aquaculture Association in the development of a final rule.

Based on DNR's stated commitment to exercise understanding and sensitivity in addressing the concerns of fish farmers, it's anticipated that a final rule will take into consideration the small business economic impact on the aquaculture industry. The SBRRB looks forward to receipt of the DNR's response to the SBRRB's concerns regarding the likelihood of an economic impact on fish farmers.

In accordance with Wis. Stats., 227.19(3)(6)(g), a copy of the report to the SBRRB shall be filed with the final rule submitted to the legislature.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Petershack, Chairman
Governor's Small Business Regulatory Review Board

Cc: Mary Ellen Volbrecht, DNR Executive Assistant
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