SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC

MEMORANDUM

To:

Senate

From:

D. Gagan, Chair Luv

Senate Committee on Academic Planning

Subject:

Department of Biological Sciences -

Master of Aquaculture Program

Date:

December 11, 1995

Action undertaken by the Senate Graduate Studies Committee and the Senate Committee on Academic Planning gives rise to the following motion:

Motion:

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in \$.96-6, that the Master of Aquaculture Program be terminated as of September 1996."

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Faculty of Science Simon Fraser University

In May, 1995 the Department of Biological Sciences voted to not support the Masters of Aquaculture degree within the department. This followed a review of the role of professional programs within the department by the Professional Programs Committee.

This decision was based on the belief that the department no longer had the core faculty needed to support a professional degree in aquaculture. Several aquaculture students had brought serious concerns to the Graduate Studies Committee in Biology, including difficulty finding senior supervisors, excessive reliance on sessional instructors, and required courses not being available. The Professional Programs Committee recommended to the department that either sufficient resources had to be directed to the aquaculture program to improve it, including expanding the faculty in this area, or that the program should be disbanded. After lengthy discussion the department voted to not continue the program.

Sincerely,

Felix Breden

Associate Professor

Graduate Program Chair

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DEAN OF SCIENCE OFFICE

TO: C.H.W. Jones

FROM:

Brian A. McKeown, Chair

Dean of Science

Dept. of Biological Sciences

RE: M.A

M.Aq. PROGRAM

DATE::

June 7, 1995

Last April the Department of Biological Sciences voted to terminate the M.Aq. program. Since that time there have been efforts to find an alternate home base for this program. This is still an ongoing process. New applicants have been informed of the status of the program and their files have been kept on hold. We will now inform them that they will not be admitted for the fall, 1995. There are presently eleven students in the program and they will require one more year to finish. The Department will do all it can to assist these students to graduate.

Brian A. McKeown

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M. Winston B. Hartwick