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Dr. Clarissa Anderson Executive Director Southern California Coastal Ocean Observing System Scripps Institution of Oceanography 9500 Gilman Drive, 0206 La Jolla, CA 92093-0214

Dear Dr. Anderson:

On behalf of Javier Vivanco Baja Aqua Farms Operations Manager, I enthusiastically endorse the valuable data and services provided by the Southern California Coastal Ocean Observing System (SCCOOS) at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California San Diego.

It is our reference on marine currents.

It is the best tool to verify the history of SST, oxygen and others. It is the best tool to verify current phytoplankton

It is the best tool to project phytoplankton in the California area

As a science-based decision support system, SCCOOS collaborates with local, state and federal agencies, resource managers, industry, policy makers, educators, scientists and the general public to provide data, models and products that advance our understanding of the current and future state of our coastal and global ocean. SCCOOS focuses on coastal observations and product development to provide the information necessary to address issues on marine operations, coastal hazards, climate variability and change, and ecosystems, fisheries, and water quality.

Sustained funding for SCCOOS will be crucial to the maintenance of the program's ocean observing network and to the continuity of the important data products and services that these observations enable. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Javier Vivanco

Operations Manager