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Dear Member:

Please find enclosed your project package. Included in this package is:

1. Our Program Outline which describes our project, its goals, project eligibility, and instructions on how to apply and the process once your application is received.
2. Application Form – please complete the entire form if you wish to take part in our project.
3. Eligible Cost Breakdown – this spreadsheet details what items are available for funding.

As the goal of this project is to improve lobster quality held aboard our vessels, participants will be expected to purchase the live well portion of the project before purchasing other items on the list. Having a live well with an appropriate pump and water quality monitor will be required before participants can purchase the other items available. If a fisher already has a Seaplast quality lobster tank, with appropriate pump and water quality monitor (either a system or hand held device), they must provide proof in the form of pictures and descriptions.

Please note:

1. All fishers must submit proof from the bank that they can fund their portion of the items they are applying for. (Cash, loan, or line of credit)
2. All applications will be subject to a due diligence search. We will be looking at the following:
	1. Are you in good standing with the NS Fisheries Loan Board?
	2. Are you behind in any taxes such as income tax, business, property or sales tax?
	3. Are you involved in any relevant legal action before a court, tribunal, gov’t board or agency?
	4. Have you had fines, charges, suspensions, or convictions under the Fisheries Act in the last 5 years?

**If you answer “yes” to any of the above, your application may be denied**.

Fishers are not required to purchase their equipment from the same supplier we used for quotes for this project, but all purchases must be from a reputable supplier and all live well tanks must be Seaplast.

We will be holding meetings in the coming week to go over this paperwork, answer any questions, and assist anyone who needs help. If anyone requires further information or assistance with any part of this project and the related paperwork, we will work with you in any way necessary to ensure everyone gets the help they need; phone calls, zoom calls, or in-person one-on-one meetings can be arranged.

We hope all members benefit from this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Jordan MacDougall

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