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Aloha Hawaii Producer,

Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is the Hawaii Aquaculture Survey. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience. Your information is important to the aquaculture industry since the survey data will result in a report providing official documentation for the size and growth of the industry, and aquaculture's importance to Hawai'i.

This report can then be used to encourage increased support of the industry by the Federal and State Administration, Legislature, Counties, Congressional delegation, and the Universities serving Hawaii. In 2020, Hawaii aquaculture sales totaled **\$66.4 million**. Your response will help determine the 2021 sales.

What should I do next?

Please respond to the survey in either of the following ways:

By mail – Fill out the survey questionnaire and return it in the envelope provided.

 \blacksquare By fax – Fill out the survey questionnaire and fax it to (844) 332-7146.

If we do not receive a response from you by Friday, June 24, 2022, a representative from our office will contact you to arrange a telephone interview.

The results of this survey will be kept confidential and will be available in aggregate form only, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified, as required by federal law. We will publish the survey findings in the *Hawaii Aquaculture Annual* report, to be released Friday, September 23, 2022.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (800) 804-9514, or, if calling from Oahu, at (808) 522-8080.

Sincerely,

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