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Stewart,

I am following up from our conversation in Laura Richards office regarding your reasoning for not recommending that we initiate testing of aquaculture fish (specifically Atlantic salmon) for the Parvovirus we have recently identified in high prevalence in wild sockeye salmon populations. My recollection of your reasoning was that there is no reason to test Atlantic salmon before we underwent large-scale screening of pink and chum salmon and understood the potential role this virus may have across multiple species of wild fish. Is this correct?

As I am expecting that there may be questions at the inquiry about why we are not testing aquaculture fish, I feel the need to be prepared to answer these questions. From our meeting yesterday, it was clear that this decision is in yours and Christine's court, therefore, I would like you to elaborate on your recommendations and reasoning. I will likely refer this question to you anyway, but some background reasoning would be useful to have.

Thank you for your help in this matter,

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