29th March 1987

The Fisheries Secretary
Department of Agriculture
and Fisheries for Scotland
Room 433
Chesser House
Gorgie Road
Edinburgh
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Dear Sir

## Application for Fermission to use an Electrical Fishing Device

The Bailies of Bennachie, a local conservation organisation, has obtained the lease of Afforsk Pond, in Aberdeenshire, and it is our intention to restock this water which, prior to recent drainage for repairs to the dam-wall contained brown trout.

To this end we wish to obtain an electric fishing licence to remove trout from the outlet stream (the Blairdaff Burn) and to replace these fish in the pond and its inlet

I have discussed this proposal with the fishery board who have no objection to the removal of trout, and we have the permission of the adjacent land/riparian owners We feel that this is a more appropriate option to importing non-local stock

I myself am a freshwater biologist with experience of the use of electric fishing apparatus. I am aware of the various health and safety aspects of electric fishing and the need to minimise any distress suffered by the fish.

I enclose a completed application form and if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

yours faithfully

Michael B. Davidson, (Clerk)