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Dear Brine Shrimp Harvester:

A sampling run on the South Arm of the Great Salt Lake was conducted on January 13, 2012. Enumeration and analysis of the sample was completed and indicates the following values, presented in number per liter of lake water:

Cysts:	21.30
Nauplii:	0.03
Juveniles:	0.00
Males:	0.00
Total Females:	0.00
Females:	0.00
Females with eggs/naups:	0.00
Females with cysts:	0.00

**Accordingly, we are exercising the second seven day timeout of this harvest season pursuant to Rule R657-52-12(1)(c). The brine shrimp harvesting season in the South Arm (both lake and beach) will continue to be suspended thru Thursday January 26, 2012. All other aspects of the rule will remain in effect.**

During the closure period, we will continue to sample as safe weather allows and determine if there are sufficient quantities of cysts to resume harvest. If the season resumes, it will open at noon on Friday, January 27, 2012. The decision will be based upon resource conservation. We will be in contact with the harvesting companies toward the end of the closure period regarding our decision.

Daily harvest reports during the timeout will be required for harvest occurring in the salt ponds and on the North Arm. Weekly harvest reports will also be required for harvest occurring during this time.



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The cumulative harvest poundage totals through harvest day January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 are listed below.

Lake:	11,751,399
Shore:	6,065,420
Salt Ponds:	221,770
Total:	<hr/> 18,038,589

Thank you for your support of our work here at The Great Salt Lake Ecosystem Program.

Sincerely,

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Great Salt Lake Ecosystem Program Manager