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TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT OUR MARINE ENVIRONMENT

REPORT TO REEF BALL INTERNATIONAL

To: Mr. Todd Barber, Chairman

From: The Barbados Marine Trust

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REEF BALLS IN BARBADOS

Regarding the Oistins Reef Ball Gardens Project, the Trust is still seeking funding for the Reef Ball component. One company – Shell Western Supply and Trading – has made a commitment of funds that will cover the expenses of some of the Reef Balls.

Many proposals have been sent out to Corporate Barbados. Some have been turned down, others are still being considered, a few – like Shell – accepted, Shell committing to the largest amount of funds.

The Trust has also completed and submitted its formal application to the local Town and Country Development Planning Office to seek permission for the installation of the Reef Balls at the desired sites.

Mini (“Baby”) Balls and Moulds were obtained from the USA in order to show children a miniature form of Reef Balls as part of the BMT's ongoing education process on Reef Balls and the marine environment in Barbados.

The Trust is also exploring the idea of using the specially made Reef Balls for Lobsters (the “Layer Cake” style) as part of a Fish Farming Initiative being undertaken by the Trust along with other public sector and private sector partners.