

one of unique success based on The story of Kelp Industries is renewable resource and the knowledge, creativity and the utilisation of a fully King Islanders. initiative of

Melbourne and the North West coast of mainland Tasmania. Durvillaea Potatorum, known locally as Bull Kelp Seaweed surrounded by reefs which support the growth of Strait midway between The island is

King Island is located in Bass

The weed is lifted onto high racks to dry naturally in the sun and wind before being moved inside for completion of the

drying process

The dry kelp is fed through a the required granular form hammer mill to reduce it to and size.

continues to expand. The Bull Kelp is collected from the shoreline after it has been naturally "Sustainable development" is a perfect description of the way the business has grown and

dislodged from the rocks on which it grows by strong tidal action and washed ashore

biopolymer industry for the extraction of alginate*, and has grown into a substantial and

successful business contributing significantly to the Island's economy.

Kelp Industries Pty Ltd was established in 1975 to supply seaweed meal to the

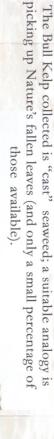
The biopolymer industry continues to provide the main outlet, however, animal feed, soil

conditioning and other applications are becoming increasingly important





packaged into reusable into sealable shipping one tonne bulk bags. sacks or bulk loaded transferred into 20kg The product may be The final product is containers.







the factory by truck or onto low purpose-built trailer, where the fresh weed is hung by hand Kelp is delivered to unloading racks.