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PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about reported health conditions of captive reindeer which we received on 31 August 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, for information held by the APHA which relates to reported health conditions of UK captive reindeer for the years 2014 and for 2017.

 Q1 Please advise me as to whether the APHA have received any reindeer carcasses between 2014 and for 2017 and share with me any recorded information on the condition, age, primary presenting signs (if known) and diagnostic conclusion.

See Appendix 1 - relates to reindeer carcasses submitted for diagnostic investigation.

 Q2 Please advise me of any veterinary referrals with non carcase samples specifically for cases involving the investigation of diarrhoea for the years 2014 and for 2017. It would be useful to have a response for both diagnosed and nondiagnosed cases."

See Appendix 2 - relates to reindeer non-carcass samples submitted for investigation of diarrhea.

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any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. No information identifying you will be placed on the GOV.UK website.

I attach an Annex which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you and contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

Email: enquiries@apha.gsi.gov.uk

Annex

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted APHA's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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