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Sent: 24 September 2013 15:54
To: [REDACTED] (Defra)
Subject: RE: R4 piece on badger cull this morning

Dear [REDACTED] I,

Thanks for your email. I've forwarded it on to my assistant editor who should be in touch soon with a response to your query about this morning's two way with clips from Martin Surl's Farming Today interview.

Thanks,

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Sent: 24 September 2013 12:22
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Subject: R4 piece on badger cull this morning

Hi [REDACTED],

I wanted to ask why the piece this morning had only focussed on Marti Surl's comments about the use of crow scarers by the cull company, and not mentioned at all that Martin Surl was equally critical of some protestors. The piece this morning gave an unbalanced overview of what the police are dealing with during the cull. Martin Surl's main point was to call for clam on both sides, but this has not been reflected in your coverage.

I'd appreciate your thoughts on why the BBC chose to only present one side of Martin Surl's interview?

Thanks

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