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Dear

### PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about purchases from LSI and from LDL which we received on 8 February 2016. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I have received information from your colleagues on the use of the pTB ELISA from LSI since their abrupt breach of contract with us, and for this I thank you.

However, I would like to know if more purchases of any other of the LSI ELISA or PCR range were made from January 2011 onwards

Additionally I would like to know if purchases of ELISAs and PCR kits and reagents were made from Labor-Diagnostik Leipzig (LDL) from September 2011 onwards until the present day.

I would be very grateful if you could send us that information, which I believe we have permission to obtain from you under the Freedom of Information Act."

APHA did make purchases from Laboratoire Service International (LSI) of the ELISA or PCR range, from January 2011 until 8 February 2016 (date of your request).

APHA did not make purchases from Labor-Diagnostik Leipzig (LDL) of ELISAs, PCR kits and reagents, from September 2011 until 8 February 2016 (date of your request).

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.

The Animal and Plant Health Agency is an Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs working to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.

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**

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#### Annex

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