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Dear [REDACTED]

## PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your clarified request for information about bTB Approved Finishing Units (AFUs) which we received on 16 August 2017. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"1, The number of individual cattle bTB Approved Finishing Unit inspections in Great Britain (England, Wales & Scotland if applicable) where non-compliances / deficiencies were recorded in the following period - 18th March 2017 to the present date - along with details of the non-compliances / deficiencies found e.g. lapses in biosecurity, late testing for bTB, poor wildlife proofing

The number of individual cattle bTB Approved Finishing Unit inspections in Great Britain (England, Wales & Scotland), where non-compliances / deficiencies were recorded, between 18 March 2017 and 23 August 2017 is 13.

The reasons included:

- Gaps in gates.
- Sheep/goats in AFU.
- No disinfectant footbath.
- Non-AFU cattle present.
- No disinfectant in power washer.
- Voltage and maintenance of electric fences.
- Manure not wildlife proof.
- Boundaries in units not effective or wildlife proof.
- Boundaries need to be maintained, secure.

2, The number of cattle bTB Approved Finishing Units in Great Britain (England, Wales & Scotland if applicable) which had their approvals revoked in each of the following period - 18th March 2017 to the present date - , along with details of the non-compliances / deficiencies that resulted in these cases

The number of cattle bTB Approved Finishing Units in Great Britain (England, Wales & Scotland), which had their approvals revoked, in the period 18 March 2017 to 23 August 2017 is 1. The reason involved was fragmented grazing.

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Yours sincerely

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