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{By Email}

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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about bovine Tb in rare breeds which we received on 18 March 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

'I am looking into the impact bovine TB has on traditional/rare breeds of cattle in the United Kingdom. I should be very grateful if you could provide me with the following information:'

'Number of cattle of the breeds listed below (pure bred) compulsorily slaughtered as reactors or direct contacts in 2016 and 2017 and if possible, listed by region'

1) Beef Shorthorn	Breed code	BSH WS
2) Whitebred Shorthorn	II .	
3) British White	"	BW
4) Devon	"	DEV
5) Dexter		DEX
6) Gloucester	II .	GL
7) Guernsey	II	GU
8) Hereford	II	HE
9) Jersey	II	JE
10) Lincoln Red	II	LR
11) Red Poll	II .	RP
12) South Devon	II	SD
13) Sussex	II	SU
14) Welsh Black	II	WB
15) White Park	II	WP
16) English Longhorn	11	LH

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The information you have requested has been placed on a spreadsheet and attached to our reply as Appendix 1.

N.B. The Reactor count INCLUDES animals slaughtered with a reason of failing a Tuberculosis (TB) skin test either through positive reaction to a TB skin test, repeated Inconclusive Reactor (IR) results to a TB test or positive results following a Gamma Interferon blood test.

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Yours sincerely

ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM

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Annex

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