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Dear [REDACTED]

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information about TB in wild deer which we received on 9 July 2018. Your request has been handled under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

'You requested 'information about confirmed cases of TB in wild deer from the Exmoor area. It would be most helpful to know deer species, sex, age and location of any positive cases from this area.' 'The last result I have was for August 2016, so everything since that time would be most welcome'.

Listed in the table below are details of samples that were from deer from Exmoor National park or from the surrounding area and the samples were positive for *Mycobacterium bovis* on culture. Please be aware that the information supplied was dependent upon information received by the person submitting the sample.

The samples were received at the APHA culture laboratory after the end of August 2016. The data was retrieved on 31 July 2018.

The month given is the month of receipt at TB culture laboratory.

The results from October and November 2016 in the table were also provided previously.

Area	Sex	Age	Species	Date
Exford	Male	Not given	Red Deer	Oct 2016
Dunkery Common	Male	1 year	Red Deer	Nov 2016
Rackenford	Female	Not given	Red deer	Jan 2017
Cove, Tiverton	female	Adult	Red deer	Dec 2017
Huntscott	female	Est. 4-5 years	Red deer	April 2018

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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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