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Dear

PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information copy of decision following licence application for plant variety which we received on 09 February 2021. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

"I am trying to find a copy of the decision in an unreported case: Sacker Potatoes Limited v C Meijer BV (2001), which was a compulsory licence application for a UK plant variety. Is something you may be able to provide us with please?

Under the Plant Breeders' Rights Regulations, regulation 5 and Schedule 1 provide for publication of various matters by the Controller in the Gazette. APHA have reviewed copies of the gazzette from that time and have found the following attached as appendix 1. The decision notice is on page 10.

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below. During the current Coronavirus outbreak, our offices will be closed.

Yours sincerely

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Annex

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