

P-05-747 TB Testing of Cattle – Correspondence from the Petitioner to the Committee, 04.07.17

Dear Sir

Firstly my I thank the committee for considering my petition against the proposal to reduce the test interval for tb from 12 months to 6. I am pleased that the cabinet secretary has announced that the 12 month test period will be maintained. I am sure that the weight of consultation responses, including this petition, swayed the decision. Although not part of this petition, the agricultural industry will welcome the commitment to carry out a humane badger cull to attempt to help long term breakdowns return to tb free status. This is long overdue and only once this policy is implemented can Welsh Government claim to have a tb eradication policy rather than one of control of tb within the national herd, which is the case at the moment.

Regards

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