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Dear Mark

Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill – additional information for the Health and Social Care Committee

During the Health and Social Care Committee meeting of 2 February, a technical briefing on the Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill was provided by my officials. During the briefing, Members of the Committee requested some additional information, not available at the time, which I have since provided in my letter dated 21 February 2012.

Following the review of my letter by Committee Members, I am now in a position to provide the additional information requested with regards to the total number of hospitals in Wales. This follows the information provided in the Annex of my original letter which provided details of the number of hospitals in each food hygiene rating category with the caveat that 'not all NHS hospitals in Wales may have received a rating'.

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) assures me that the information attached at Annex 1 of this letter, is an accurate estimate of the number of 'hospitals' within the Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS) in Wales, and the number of these which contains a rating. Committee Members may wish to note the below caveats on which is this additional information is based.

There are 115 hospitals in Wales. The FSA have received information from local authorities advising that 91 hospitals are eligible to have a FHRS rating. I can confirm that the total number of hospitals in Wales that the FSA would expect to receive a FHRS rating is 91. A hospital might generate a number of ratings if there is more than one food business unit on site so the total number of ratings for hospitals in Wales will be higher than 91.

I can also confirm that of these 91 premises, 73 have been rated, and 12 are scheduled to be done in within the next few months, in accordance with local authorities' programmes of inspections. Of the 73 with ratings, 39 are rated 5, 26 rated 4, 7 rated 3 and 1 rated 1.

I have therefore provided a breakdown of numbers by each food hygiene rating category at Annex 1 for Members information.

You may wish to note that I aim to publish the Summary Report of Consultation responses on the Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Bill on 30 March 2012.

Kind Regards

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The Number of hospitals in Wales in each food hygiene rating category
(Not all NHS hospitals in Wales may have received a rating)

Local Authority	Rating							Total number of rated hospitals
	Very Good 5	Good 4	Generally Satisfactory 3	Improvement Necessary 2	Major Improvement Necessary 1	Urgent Improvement Necessary 0		
Anglesey	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Blaenau Gwent	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bridgend	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	4
Caerphilly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cardiff	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	5
Carmarthenshire	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Ceredigion	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Conwy	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
Denbighshire	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Flintshire	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Gwynedd	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Merthyr Tydfil	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Monmouthshire	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Neath Port Talbot	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	4
Newport	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	3
Pembrokeshire	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Powys	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Rhondda Cynon Taf	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	5
Swansea	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
Torfaen	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Vale of Glamorgan	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Wrexham	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Total	39	26	7	0	1	0	0	73
Total as percentage	53.42	35.62	9.59	0	1.37	0	0	73