Annex A

Request

You requested the following information:

An itemised table of enforcement action taken by the Food Standards Agency against abattoirs in England and Wales since 27 December 2018 for failing to install CCTV. I would like itemised information in the table to include: individual identification numbers for all abattoirs the FSA has taken enforcement action against for failure to install CCTV, the dates enforcement actions were taken against each abattoir and what enforcement action was taken against each abattoir.

Response

The data you have requested is provided in Annex C (Excel Spreadsheet). Some information has been redacted and withheld under section 31 of the Act. The establishment names and addresses have been removed and replaced with a deterministic modifier, using a unique code for each establishment. Further details about our use of this exemption has been provided in Annex B.

The information provided in Annex C lists enforcement actions taken since 27 December 2018 for failure to install and maintain CCTV that is compliant with <u>The Mandatory Use of Closed Circuit Television in Slaughterhouses (England)</u> Regulations 2018.

Incidents where multiple enforcement appear on the same date for an establishment, the enforcement is against deficiencies in different parts of the establishment. The Mandatory Use of Closed Circuit Television in Slaughterhouses (England) Regulations 2018 legislation is not applicable in Wales.

Background

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) last year provided figures to Parliament on slaughterhouses that were deemed non-compliant:

https://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Commons/2019-02-05/216935/

The FSA has begun enforcement action against all slaughterhouse operators who have not complied, or not continued to comply, as set out in our guidelines.

A non-compliance may result in multiple enforcement actions in accordance with FSA's hierarchy of enforcement. This includes issuing verbal advice, informal advisory letters (written advice), formal statutory notices (CCTV Enforcement Notice) and recommendation for prosecution as set out in our <u>guidance</u>.