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Dear Russell

I am writing with a reply to your Written Question 81638 below.

Russell George (Montgomeryshire): Has the Welsh Government considered testing all herds for Bovine TB once a year?

Lesley Griffiths: Annual bovine TB testing of all cattle herds is already implemented as part of the measures within the Welsh Government's TB eradication programme. Annual testing of herds has been in place since January 2010 following the TB Health Check Wales, a test of all cattle herds in Wales over a 15 month period (2008/09) to provide a more accurate picture of the disease.

The exception to the annual TB testing is the six monthly testing undertaken in the Intensive Action Area (IAA) of West Wales where extra measures have been put in place to deal with TB.

Yours sincerely

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