

## THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES THE DIRECTORATE OF ANIMAL HEALTH

## **MONTHLY STATUS UPDATE: AUGUST 2014**

The March, April, May, June and July monthly reports have been published on the Department's website and was also e-mailed to the applicant and the third respondent.

To comply with the second court order dated 27 February 2014, the following has been undertaken:-

- The independent consultant (Ausvet) has been appointed and a meeting has been set up for middle September.
- A response from the Zambian Authorities is still awaited following numerous reminders. A last attempt into getting information has been made, and we hope that this information will form part of the information to be given to the consultant in September.
- 3. Due to the delay in the finalisation of the two aforementioned processes, it is envisaged that the time period imposed by the Court Order may not be adhered to and it may still be necessary to apply for an extension. We will obviously also be in a better position to indicate to interested parties how much of an extension is required after the said meeting, indicated in point 1, has taken place with the consultant.

4. The Department would like to thank all those who sent information on identified hazards associated with this import. This information will be consolidated and will form part of the September update.