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

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### MONTHLY STATUS UPDATE: NOVEMBER 2014

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The March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October 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 steps have been taken:

1. The department had a contempt of court proceedings instituted against it by Swanvest 234 (Pty) Ltd. As most of the communication provided in the Notice of motion was in Afrikaans, translation of the document was requested as not everyone in the Department is conversant in Afrikaans. The Notice to oppose was submitted on 20 October 2014. Due to the delay in translating the document, as well as awaiting certain technical information from the consultant regarding the Gavin Thomson's risk assessment, a request was made to the applicant for an extension which was refused. The answering affidavit was submitted on 24 November 2014
2. The risk assessment is in the process of being completed. It is still anticipated that the final risk analysis will be completed in the early part of December 2014.

3. A response from the Veterinary Authority of Zambia was received on 22 September 2014. The response was evaluated by the Department and further communication to the Veterinary Authority of Zambia by the Department is being finalised. In the meantime we annex hereto marked "A" a copy of the response of the Veterinary Authority of Zambia. .