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Dear Andrew,

Please find below the answer to your Written Questions:

Andrew R.T. Davies (South Wales Central):

Will the Minister confirm the predicted costs to Welsh farm businesses as a consequence of the proposed amendment to the TB (Wales) Order 2010 that would prohibit the feeding of unpasteurised milk to livestock on OTFW premises? (WQ90353)

Will the Minister confirm whether there are plans to provide financial or logistical support to Welsh farmers in the event that the planned amendments to the TB (Wales) Order 2010 are introduced this year? (WQ90355)

What are the predicted costs to Welsh cattle keepers as a consequence of the proposed amendment to the TB (Wales) Order 2010 that would introduce post-movement testing for all cattle movements to holdings in the intermediate TB areas from high TB areas, the HRA in England, and Northern Ireland? (WQ90358)

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Lesley Griffiths:

WQ90353: Prohibiting the feeding of unpasteurised milk to livestock will not be included in the 2024 amendments to the TB (Wales) Order 2010.

WQ90355: No additional financial or logistical support will be provided following the introduction of the amendments to the TB (Wales) Order 2010.

WQ90358: Around 2 in 5 TB breakdowns are due to the introduction of disease through cattle movements from higher risk TB areas. The *proposed amendment regarding post-movement testing* is being introduced as a disease control measure and *analysis has not been undertaken specifically to estimate the cost to individual farmers.*

Regards,

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