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Dear Mr Maimane

REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO INFORMATION REGARDING ABATTOIRS AND HEALTH INSPECTORS DATED 14 MARCH 2013

I refer to your request for access to information in the above-mentioned regard, as well as my letter dated 4 June 2013.

Hereunder follows responses from two other Provincial Departments of Agriculture:

1. Mpumalanga Provincial Department

Table 1: The number of abattoirs registered in 2008 and 2009

CYCLE	RED MEAT	POULTRY	GAME	TOTAL
1 April 2008 to 31 March 2009	35	24	1	60
1 April 2009 to 31 March 2010	35	21	1	57
1 April 2010 to 31 March 2011	35	23	1	59
1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012	30	21	2	53

Table 2: The total number of Provincial Veterinary Public Health Technicians employed to inspect, monitor and evaluate abattoirs from 2008 to 2012.

YEAR	NUMBER OF HEALTH TECHNICIANS
2008	7
2009	7
2010	7
2011	7
2012	7

The number of cases where abattoirs have been closed contradicting the health act from 2008 to 2012: None

2. Western Cape Provincial Department

Total number of registered abattoirs licensed to slaughter cattle, pork chicken and any other licensed meat product from 2008 – 2009: 77;

Total number of health inspectors hired to inspect monitor and evaluate abattoirs from 2008 – 2012;

8 Departmental meat inspectors in the Western Cape;

Total number of cases where abattoirs have been closed for contradicting the Meat Safety Act, from 2008 – 2012: one

Trusting you will find it in order.

Yours sincerely



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