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## Application for freedom of Viral Haemorrhagic Septicaemia (VHS) in the Danish territory

Denmark has finalised a four year eradication programme for VHS and has successfully eradicated the disease from the Danish freshwater fish farms. The eradication programme which has been co-financed by the European Fisheries Fund started in 2009 and the final sampling for documentation of freedom from VHS was conducted during April-May 2013.

The following documentation is attached to this mail:

- Filled in application form from: Annexes II-VI of Commission Decision 2009/177/EC of 31 October 2008 implementing Council Directive 2006/88/EC as regards surveillance and eradication programmes and disease-free status of Member States, zones and compartments
- 2. Excel spread sheet with a list of all Danish fish farms with their authorization numbers and other information which can be drawn from the website of the Danish Central Husbandry Register (link in the application form)
- 3. Annex A: with all fish farms having been involved in the programme
- 4. Annex B: with all marine farms which are categorized as cat III

As the application apply for the whole Danish continental area, Annex I Part C in Commission Decision 2009/177/EC should be amended with: Denmark – the continental area of DK

We are looking forward to hearing from you

Yours faithfully

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