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Environmental Health Officer
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RE: HOMEWOOD RIVERSDALE POSSUM CONTROL CONTRACT

This is to advise you that our company, **Central Districts Pest Control Ltd.**, will be carrying out possum control work on the **Homewood Riversdale** contract from 27 September 2017 to the end of June 2018.

The project covers the Homewood and Riversdale areas. It runs from Whareama in the north, east of Stronvar, and ends just before Flat Point in the south. We tendered for and won the contract from TBfree New Zealand.

I am required to inform you of our operation as we will be making limited use of the schedule 1 poison - Feratox (encapsulated cyanide). Any Feratox we use will be up trees, out of reach of stock, in bait stations or bags. Our methods are aimed at being relatively safe and low-impact.

Methods of control may include:

1. Feratox and Ferafeed in KK or Romark bait stations.
2. Feratox bio-bags and Ratabate Striker baits.
3. Feratox & brodifacoum in Sentry or Philproof bait-stations
4. Victor No.1, Bushmaster and Duke leg-hold traps.
5. Possum Master kill-traps (around houses).

NB: Traps will have a blaze of plain flour scented with orange oil to lure possums. This is not toxic.

Risk to humans: All baits are poison, and are harmful to humans, especially young children.

Other possum contractors may be carrying out similar work in the region.

All applications of Vertebrate Toxic Agents (VTA) are covered by a permit issued by the Health Protection Officer, Wairarapa District Health Board, under section 95A of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 (HSNO).

Enclosed is a map of the contract area for your information.

Yours sincerely

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