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**Subject:** RE: Eaton case - animal exposures

Taylor and all,

Thanks very much! This is very helpful. It appears the only recent animal exposures are to deer they took themselves while hunting, and some backyard chickens. The deer were collected on or very near to their own illness onset dates. (I am sorry to hear about the recent demise of their elderly chihuahuas-☹.)  
We will let you know if any additional questions arise. Thanks again! Kim

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Thanks much Taylor. This is very helpful information. We will let you know if we need any follow-up information. And we look forward to hearing what you learn from interviewing his wife about animal exposures as well. Kim

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Good afternoon,  
Attached is the document with answers to the questions you provided us. We attempted to contact the wife but was unable to reach her. We will try to reach her later in the day to re-interview her as well.

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Apologies, re-sending with Kim Signs added.

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Hi Taylor,

Following up on our conversation today regarding the Eaton case with mink-associated strain (MDSS ID 19686619918) – thank you for agreeing to contact the case today. I've attached questions we're interested in. In addition to travel and contact with known cases, most of the question are on animal exposures (e.g. pets, farm animals, wild animals, etc) in the 30 days prior to his onset. As I mentioned, the lab learned from his wife that he is a taxidermist who handles potentially a variety of species. They may also have a small farm themselves. We'd be interested in as many details as possible, including what types of animals and where they came from. If he keeps a taxidermy log of species worked in the month prior to illness, we'd be interested in that too.

Thank you very much – there's significant interest from CDC on this case and I know you are already very busy with COVID vaccinations and the new variant case.

Please let me know of questions/concerns.

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