To whom it may concern



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is a bona fide volunteer taking part in the Mammal Society's National Harvest Mouse Survey. This project aims to understand the current distributional status of harvest mice across the UK and as part of this the Mammal Society has asked for the help of volunteers to look for and record harvest mouse nests across the country. Volunteers have been provided with basic survey protocols, but site selection is chosen by the volunteer. The Mammal Society has stressed to volunteers to choose sites based on public access and rights of way and we do not condone volunteers to enter private land without prior agreement with the landowner. However, this letter represents an introduction of the national survey to landowners to express that if access is requested by a volunteer that this is part of a legitimate national scheme.

All volunteers are covered by the Mammal Society's public liability insurance and a copy of this can be requested from the Mammal Society.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to contact the Mammal Society by the following email address: surveys@themammalsociety.org.

This is a unique project which will help the Mammal Society to establish the distribution, abundance, and density of this little-known species in Great Britain. Many thanks in anticipation for your cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

Dear Sir/Madam,

Dr Stephanie Wray Chair of the Mammal Society