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Dear Ms. Nguyen:

You have asked whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 27246.

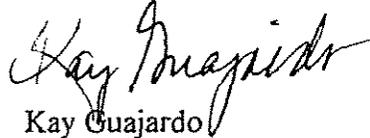
The City of Houston (the "city") received a request for a Public Integrity Review Group ("PIRG") investigation file, No. 93-0003. You contend that the investigative file is made confidential under section 143.1214(b) of the Local Government Code, in conjunction with section 552.101 of the Government Code.

This office recently issued Open Records Decision No. 642 (1996) (enclosed) which determined that section 143.1214(b) requires the city to withhold documents relating to PIRG investigations of a firefighter or police officer when PIRG has concluded that the allegations are unfounded. You assert that the investigation file at issue concerns unfounded allegations against a city fire fighter. Thus, the city must withhold the information from disclosure. Gov't Code § 552.101.

We are resolving this matter with an informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. This ruling is limited to the particular records at issue under the facts presented to us in this request and should not be relied upon as a previous

determination regarding any other records. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,



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Enclosures: Submitted documents
Open Records Decision No. 642 (1996)

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