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Mr. Gregory A. Alicie
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OR2009-01719

Dear Mr. Alicie:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Public Information Act (the "Act"), chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 338266 (BPD case #2009-49).

The Baytown Police Department (the "department") received a request for a specified incident report. You claim that portions of the submitted information are excepted from disclosure under sections 552.130 and 552.147 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

You claim that the information you have highlighted in pink is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130 of the Government Code. This section excepts from disclosure information that relates to a Texas driver's license or motor vehicle title or registration. Gov't Code § 552.130. Therefore, the department must withhold the Texas motor vehicle record information you have highlighted in pink under section 552.130 of the Government Code.

Next, you claim the social security numbers you have highlighted in green are excepted from disclosure under section 552.147 of the Government Code. This section provides that "[t]he social security number of a living person is excepted from" required public disclosure under

the Act.¹ Therefore, the department may withhold the green-highlighted social security numbers under section 552.147 of the Government Code. The remaining information must be released to the requestor.

~~This letter ruling is limited to the particular information at issue in this request and limited to the facts as presented to us; therefore, this ruling must not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other information or any other circumstances.~~

This ruling triggers important deadlines regarding the rights and responsibilities of the governmental body and of the requestor. For more information concerning those rights and responsibilities, please visit our website at http://www.oag.state.tx.us/open/index_orl.php, or call the Office of the Attorney General's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Act must be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the Office of the Attorney General at (512) 475-2497.

Sincerely,



Ana Carolina Vieira
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

¹We note that section 552.147(b) of the Government Code authorizes a governmental body to redact a living person's social security number from public release without the necessity of requesting a decision from this office under the Act.