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OR2009-16848

Dear Mr. Weir:

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# 367746 (COSA File No. 2009-4568).

The San Antonio Police Department (the "department") received a request for information pertaining to a specified accident. You claim that the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.108 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

We note that the submitted information was the subject of a previous request for information, in response to which this office issued Open Records Letter No. 2009-14626 (2009). In Open Records Letter No. 2009-14626 we ruled that the department must release the submitted CR-3 accident report forms in their entireties pursuant to section 550.065(c)(4) of the Transportation Code. We note that in this instance, the requestor has also provided the department with the requisite pieces of information specified by section 550.065(c)(4) for release of the CR-3 accident report forms. In Open Records Letter No. 2009-14626 we further ruled that, with the exception of basic information, which must be released, the department may withhold the remaining information under section 552.108(a)(1) of the Government Code. We conclude that, as we have no indication that the law, facts, and circumstances on which the prior ruling was based have changed, the department may continue to rely on that ruling as a previous determination and withhold or release the submitted information in accordance with Open Records Letter No. 2009-14626. *See* Open Records Decision No. 673 (2001) (so long as law, facts, and circumstances on which prior

ruling was based have not changed, first type of previous determination exists where requested information is precisely same information as was addressed in a prior attorney general ruling, ruling is addressed to same governmental body, and ruling concludes that information is or is not excepted from disclosure). As we are able to make this determination, we need not address your submitted argument against disclosure.

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, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)