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Mr. Gregory A. Alicie
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Baytown Police Department
3200 North Main Street
Baytown, Texas 77521

OR2010-00879

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# 368069.

The Baytown Police Department (the "department") received a request for report number 2009-43703. 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.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code provides that information relating to a motor vehicle operator's license, driver's license, motor vehicle title, or registration issued by a Texas agency is excepted from public release.¹ Gov't Code § 552.130(a)(1), (2). Upon review, we agree the department must withhold the Texas motor vehicle record information you have marked in pink under section 552.130 of the Government Code.

You have marked in green portions of the remaining information you assert are subject to section 552.147 of the Government Code. Section 552.147 provides that "[t]he social

¹We note this office recently issued Open Records Decision No. 684 (2009), a previous determination to all governmental bodies authorizing them to withhold ten categories of information, including Texas driver's license and license plate numbers under section 552.130 of the Government Code, without the necessity of requesting an attorney general decision.

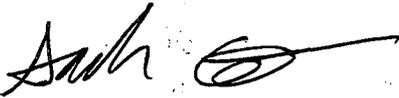
security number of a living person is excepted from" required public disclosure under the Act.² *Id.* § 552.147. Therefore, the department may withhold the social security numbers you have marked in green under section 552.147 of the Government Code.

In summary, the department must withhold the Texas motor vehicle record information you have marked in pink under section 552.130 of the Government Code. The department may withhold the social security numbers you have marked in green 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, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,



Sarah Casterline
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Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)

²Section 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. *See* Gov't Code § 552.147(b).