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Ms. Michelle L. Villarreal
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OR2010-09324

Dear Ms. Villarreal:

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# 383896 (ORR# LGL-10-469).

The Waco Police Department (the "department") received a request for a specified 9-1-1 call and information related to a specified call for service. You state you have released some of the responsive information. You claim portions of the submitted information are excepted from disclosure under section 552.101 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.101 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure "information considered to be confidential by law, either constitutional, statutory, or by judicial decision." Gov't Code § 552.101. Section 552.101 encompasses section 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code. Chapter 772 of the Health and Safety Code authorizes the development of local emergency communications districts. Sections 772.118, 772.218, and 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code are applicable to emergency 9-1-1 districts established in accordance with chapter 772. *See* Open Records Decision No. 649 (1996). These sections make confidential the originating telephone numbers of 9-1-1 callers only when they are furnished by a service supplier. *Id.* at 2. Section 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code applies to an emergency communication district for a county with a population of more than 20,000. You indicate the City of Waco is part of an emergency communication district established under section 772.318. You have highlighted a telephone number in the submitted Computer

Aided Dispatch ("CAD") record, which you seek to withhold under section 772.318. Thus, to the extent the telephone number you have highlighted is the originating telephone number of a 9-1-1 caller that was supplied by a 9-1-1 service supplier, this information must be withheld under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code. Because you raise no other exceptions to disclosure of the remaining information in the submitted CAD record, it 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,



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Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)