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OR2011-03063

Dear Ms. Dang:

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# 415144.

The Corpus Christi Police Department (the "department") received a request for the police report and 9-1-1 call related to a specified incident. You state that the department has released some responsive information, but you claim that some of the submitted information is 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 information other statutes make confidential, such as section 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code. Chapter 772 of the Health and Safety Code relates to local emergency communications districts. Section 772.318 applies to an emergency 9-1-1 district established in accordance with chapter 772, and makes confidential the originating telephone numbers and addresses of 9-1-1 callers that are furnished by a service supplier. *See* Open Records Decision No. 649 (1996). You state the city of Corpus Christi is part of an emergency communication district that was established under section 772.318.<sup>1</sup> You represent that a portion of the submitted information consists of the

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<sup>1</sup>Section 772.318 applies to an emergency communication district for a county with a population of more than 20,000.

originating telephone number of a 9-1-1 caller that was furnished by a 9-1-1 service supplier. Accordingly, we agree the department must withhold the telephone number of the 9-1-1 caller in the submitted audio recording under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 772.318 of the Health and Safety Code. The remaining submitted information must be released.

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](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)