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Dear Ms. Graham:

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# 459967.

The Mesquite Police Department (the "department") received two requests from two requestors for specified call sheets. You state some information will be released to the requestor. You also state the department will redact some information pursuant to Open Records Letter Nos. 2012-06459 (2012), 2012-01375 (2012), 2011-15761 (2011), and 2011-15075 (2011)¹, as well as motor vehicle record information pursuant to

¹Open Records Letter No.2012-06459 is a previous determination authorizing the department to withhold motor vehicle price information in calls sheets under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with common-law privacy, without requesting a decision from this office. Open Records Letter No. 2012-01375 is a previous determination issued to the department authorizing the department to withhold information in a call sheet that reveals the existence of a motor vehicle lien under section 552.101 in conjunction with common-law privacy, without requesting a decision from this office. Open Records Letter Nos. 2011-15761 and 2011-15075 are previous determinations to the department authorizing the department to withhold the originating addresses and telephone numbers, respectively, of 9-1-1 callers furnished to the department by a service supplier established in accordance with chapter 772 of the Health and Safety Code under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 772.118 of the Health and Safety Code without requesting a decision from this office.

section 552.130(c) of the Government Code and Open Records Decision No. 684 (2009).² You claim some of the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130. We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure information relating to a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license or permit, a motor vehicle title or registration, or a personal identification document issued by an agency of this state or another state or country. Gov't Code § 552.130(a). We agree the department must withhold the motor vehicle information you have marked in the submitted call sheets under section 552.130 of the Government Code. The remaining information must be released.

You ask this office to issue a previous determination that would permit the department to withhold information pertaining to a motor vehicle registration under section 552.130(a)(2) of the Government Code without the necessity of requesting a decision from this office. We decline to issue such a previous determination at this time. Accordingly, this letter ruling is limited to the particular information at issue in these requests 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,



Paige Lay
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Open Records Division

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²The Texas legislature amended section 552.130 of the Government Code effective September 1, 2011, to allow a governmental body to redact the information described in subsections 552.130(a)(1) and (a)(3) without the necessity of seeking a decision from the attorney general. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130(c). If a governmental body redacts such information, it must notify the requestor in accordance with section 552.130(e). *See id.* § 552.130(d), (e). Open Records Decision No. 684 permits a governmental body to redact Texas license plate numbers, which are made confidential by section 552.130(a)(2), without requesting an attorney general decision.

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Enc. Submitted documents

cc: 2 Requestors
(w/o enclosures)