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Mr. Stanton Strickland
Associate Commissioner
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OR2012-18265

Dear Mr. Strickland:

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# 475155.

The Texas Department of Insurance (the "department") received a request for the insurance provider and policy number of a named individual. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.101 of the Government Code. We have considered the claimed exception and reviewed the submitted information.

In Open Records Letter No. 2012-17108 (2012), this office issued a previous determination authorizing the department to withhold under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 601.454(c) of the Transportation Code information received from insurance companies pursuant to section 601.454(a) of the Transportation Code that is contained in the TexasSure database. *See* Gov't Code § 552.301(a); Open Records Decision No. 673 (2001) (listing elements of second type of previous determination under section 552.301(a) of the Government Code). Therefore, the department must withhold the submitted information under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 601.454(c) of the Transportation Code in accordance with Open Records Letter No. 2012-17108.

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)