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OR95-1028

Dear Ms. Schulman:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 35087.

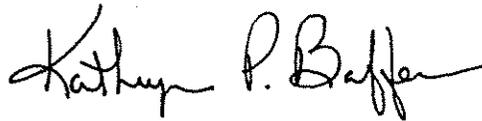
You sought an open records decision from this office pursuant to section 552.305 of the Government Code. Consequently, this office notified representatives of Advance Surveillance Technologies, Inc., that we received your request for an open records decision regarding its certification application file. In our letter to Advance Surveillance Technologies, Inc., dated August 15, 1995, this office requested an explanation as to why portions of its application were excepted from public disclosure, with the caveat that its failure to provide such an explanation within a reasonable time would result in this office instructing you to disclose the information.

To date we have not received from Advanced Surveillance Technologies, Inc any explanation as to why the requested documents should not be released. Consequently, we have no basis for applying any exceptions to required public disclosure to this information. See Open Records Decision No. 552 (1990). Because neither you nor Advanced Surveillance Technologies, Inc., have contended to this office that the requested information should be withheld, you should release the information at this time.¹

¹We note, however, that included among the requested documents are some of Advanced Surveillance Technologies, Inc.'s income tax returns. These tax returns are specifically made confidential by federal law. See 26 U.S.C. § 6103.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,



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Enclosures: Submitted documents

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