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Dear Mr. Brown:

You seek reconsideration of Open Records Letter No. 97-1246 (1997), in which this office determined that the Office of the State Auditor (the "Auditor"), which you represent, had not met its burden under chapter 552 of the Government Code and that a portion of the requested information was public. We have assigned your request for reconsideration ID# 108979.

In Open Records Letter No. 97-1246, we concluded you could withhold audit working papers under section 552.116. We further concluded that certain information contained in travel vouchers could not be withheld under section 552.116 even though the information was also contained in the working papers.

We have reviewed your additional arguments for withholding the specific information contained in the travel vouchers and expense reports. However, we reaffirm our earlier ruling in Open Records Letter Decision No. 97-1246 (1997). Consequently, the Auditor may not withhold under section 552.116 the portion of the travel vouchers and expense reports containing the names of the private nursing homes.¹

We are resolving this matter with this information letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. This ruling is limited to the particular records at issues under the facts presented to using his request and may be relied upon as a previous

¹We note that you do not seek to withhold travel vouchers and expense reports in their entirety, but only the names of the participating private nursing facilities.

determination regarding any other records. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,



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