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Dear Mr. Rammel:

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# 535922.

The Hutto Police Department (the "department"), which you represent, received a request for the crash report, 911 calls, CAD report, and dash camera video related to a specified incident. You state some information was released to the requestor. You claim the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130 of the Government Code.¹ We have considered the exception you claim and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure information that relates to a motor vehicle title or registration issued by an agency of this state or another state or country. Gov't Code § 552.130(a)(2). The submitted video recordings contain images of discernable license plates subject to section 552.130 of the Government Code. You state the department lacks the technology to redact this information from the recordings. Based on these representations, we agree the department must withhold the submitted video recordings

¹We note, and you acknowledge, the department did not comply with section 552.301 of the Government Code in requesting this decision. See Gov't Code § 552.301(b). Nevertheless, because the exception you claim can provide a compelling reason to overcome the presumption of openness, we will consider your claimed exception for the submitted information. See *id.* §§ 552.007, .302, .352.

in their entireties under section 552.130 of the Government Code. *See* Open Records Decision No. 364 (1983).

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.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open/orl_ruling_info.shtml, 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 may be directed to 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)