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Ms. Jacqueline E. Hojem  
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OR2015-05947

Dear Ms. Hojem:

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# 563352 (MTA No. 2015-0149).

The Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (the "authority") received a request for information, including all proposals submitted by vendors, regarding solicitation number RP1400017 for security services. You inform us the requested information was the subject of a previous request for information, in response to which this office issued Open Records Letter No. 2015-04357 (2015). You seek to rely on Open Records Letter No. 2015-04357 as a previous determination.

In Open Records Letter No. 2015-04357, we determined the authority must withhold (1) AlliedBarton's financial statements, which we marked, as well as AlliedBarton's customer information, to the extent it is not publicly available on the company's website, under section 552.110(b) of the Government Code, (2) the 1120 forms we marked under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 6103 of title 26 of the United States Code, and (3) the insurance policy numbers we marked under section 552.136 of the Government Code; we also determined the authority must release the remaining information in accordance with copyright law. As the authority states the circumstances on which the prior ruling was based have not changed, the authority must continue to rely on Open Records Letter No. 2015-04357 as a previous determination and withhold or release the requested information in accordance with that ruling. *See* Open Records Decision

No. 673 (2001) (so long as law, facts, and circumstances on which prior ruling was based have not changed, first type of previous determination exists where requested information is precisely same information as was addressed in a prior attorney general ruling, ruling is addressed to same governmental body, and ruling concludes that information is or is not excepted from disclosure).

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](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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c: Requestor