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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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Ms. Amanda Pell  
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OR2015-07121

Dear Ms. Pell:

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# 559883 (PIR No. 3977).

The Baytown Police Department (the "department") received a request for the offense report, along with any audio or video recordings associated with a specific case involving the requestor's client. The department states it has released some information. The department claims portions of the submitted information are excepted from disclosure under section 552.130 of the Government Code. We have considered the exception the department claims and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.130 of the Government Code provides information relating to a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license or permit, a motor vehicle title or registration, or a personal identification document issued by an agency of Texas or another state or country is excepted from public release. Gov't Code § 552.130(a). Upon review, the audio portion of the submitted video recording contains license plate numbers subject to section 552.130. The audio portion of the recording is intertwined with the video portion of the recording. The department states it does not have the technological capability to redact these license plate numbers from the recording. Accordingly, we conclude the department must withhold the submitted video recording in its entirety under section 552.130 of the Government Code.

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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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor  
(w/o enclosures)