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Mr. Gary Grief  
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Dear Mr. Grief:

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# 567915 (TLC File No. L-19815).

The Texas Lottery Commission (the "commission") received a request for a specified checklist, wire, and procedures. The commission states it has released some information. The commission claims the submitted information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.101 and 552.139 of the Government Code. We have considered the exceptions the commission claims and reviewed the submitted information.

Section 552.101 of the Government Code excepts from disclosure "information considered to be confidential by law, either constitutional, statutory, or by judicial decision." Gov't Code § 552.101. This section encompasses section 466.022(b) of the Government Code, which provides, in part, the following information is confidential and exempt from disclosure:

(1) security plans and procedures of the commission designed to ensure the integrity and security of the operation of the lottery;

*Id.* § 466.022(b)(1). The commission states the information it seeks to withhold contains "confidential accounting procedures designed to ensure the integrity and security of the operation of the lottery." The commission further states the procedures "outline the specific

steps taken by the staff. . . to complete prize payment processing, and include computer program access information relating to such payments.” Upon review, we conclude the commission must withhold the information it has marked under section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 466.022(b) of the Government Code. The commission must release the remaining information.<sup>1</sup>

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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<sup>1</sup>As our ruling is dispositive, we need not address the commission’s remaining argument against disclosure.