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Mr. Omar A. De La Rosa
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OR2019-13249

Dear Mr. De La Rosa:

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# 764565 (Case# 19-1020-1214).

The City of El Paso (the "city") received a request for information pertaining to a specified traffic accident as well as city procedures relating to traffic accidents. You state the city released information to the requestor, but made redactions as permitted by section 552.130(c) of the Government Code without requesting a decision from this office. Pursuant to section 552.130(d), the requestor has asked this office to review the information redacted by the city and render a decision as to whether it is excepted from disclosure under section 552.130(a) of the Government Code. We have considered the city's position and reviewed the information.

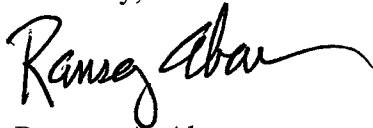
Section 552.130 of the Government Code provides information relating to a motor vehicle operator's license, driver's license, motor vehicle title or registration, or personal identification document issued by an agency of this state or another state or country is excepted from public release. *See* Gov't Code § 552.130. Upon review, we find the information the city redacted consists of motor vehicle record information subject to section 552.130. *See e.g.* Transp. Code § 548.256 (providing before a vehicle may be registered, Texas Department of Motor Vehicles or county assessor-collector registering vehicle shall verify vehicle complies with applicable inspection requirements). Accordingly, the city must

continue to withhold the information it previously redacted 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, 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ramsey Abarca". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ramsey A. Abarca
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

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Enc. Submitted documents

c: Requestor
(w/o enclosures)