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Mr. Kieran Hillis  
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OR2022-23937

Dear Mr. Hillis:

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# 964898 (OOG ID# 279-22).

The Office of the Governor (the "governor's office") received a request for communications between specified individuals during a certain time period regarding a specified topic. You claim the requested information is excepted from disclosure under sections 552.101, 552.104, 552.107, and 552.111 of the Government Code. We have considered your arguments.

You state the requested information was the subject of previous requests for information, in response to which this office issued Open Records Letter Nos. 2022-19004 (2022) and 2022-22345 (2022). You state the law, facts, or circumstances on which the prior rulings were based have not changed. Thus, the governor's office must continue to rely on Open Records Letter No. 2022-19004 and Open Records Letter No. 2022-22345 as previous determinations and withhold or release the information at issue in accordance with those rulings. *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 <https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/members-public/what-expect-after-ruling-issued> or call the OAG's Open Government Hotline, toll free, at (877) 673-6839. Questions concerning the allowable charges for providing public information under the Public Information Act may be directed to the Cost Rules Administrator of the OAG, toll free, at (888) 672-6787.

Sincerely,

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c: Requestor