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The Honorable Ken Paxton Texas Attorney General Attn: Opinion Committee P.O. Box 12548 Austin, Texas 78711

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Dear General Paxton:

In circumstances in which responding to a request for public information will require programming or data manipulation, the Texas Public Information Act allows a governmental body to provide a written statement notifying the requestor that responding to the request is not feasible or will result in substantial interference with ongoing operations. In circumstances when responding to a request will result in substantial interferences with the ongoing operations of a governmental body, is the governmental body required to provide the responsive information to the requestor?

Your guidance would be greatly appreciated in this matter. If you need any assistance or additional information, please contact Christian von Wupperfeld, General Counsel at (512) 490-7103 or Christian.vonWupperfeld@tijd.texas.gov.

Respectfully,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Tex. Gov't Code 552.231(a).