



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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November 20, 2007

The Honorable Greg Abbott
Texas Attorney General
P.O. Box 12548
Austin, Texas 78711-2548

Attn.: Greg Simpson

RE: WITHDRAWAL OF PUBLIC INFORMATION DECISION REQUESTS

Dear General Abbott:

The Office of the Governor on November 6, 2007 received a public information request from John Washburn. Specifically, the request, a copy of which is enclosed, was for:

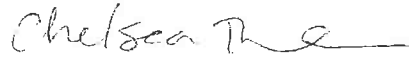
1. a copy of all governmental e-mail (electronic mail) received by the Office of the Governor of Texas which was received on or after 12:00 am (midnight) Friday, November 2, 2007 and received before 12:00 am (midnight) Tuesday, November 6, 2007.
2. I would like a copy of all governmental e-mail (electronic mail) sent by the Office of the Governor of Texas which was sent on or after 12:00 am (midnight) Friday, November 2, 2007 and sent before 12:00 am (midnight) Tuesday, November 6, 2007.

Subsequently, Mr. Washburn submitted three additional public information requests for similar (though slightly different) documents. These requests were received on November 9, 2007, November 13, 2007 and November 16, 2007.

The Office of the Governor on November 19, 2007 sent your office an initial Public Information Decision Request regarding responsive documents for all four requests. After further review, our office is withdrawing our initial request in order to assert Texas Government Code § 552.263(e) and (f). We have not yet received payment for any responsive material but will consider the request submitted upon payment. We will then, therefore, reserve the right to submit documents for your review upon payment and consideration of the responsive material.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact me at the address below or at (512) 463-1788.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chelsea Thornton", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Chelsea Thornton
Assistant General Counsel

cc: John Washburn