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Ms. Ellen B. Huchital
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Certified Mail/RRR No. 7001 1940 0002 6298 5583

Re: Open Records Complaint No. ML-202543-04

Dear Ms. Huchital:

Our office has received the attached 70 complaints from Diana Pharr and Susan Bushart (the "requestors") regarding requests for information made to the Eanes Independent School District ("EISD"), pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act ("PIA"), chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code. At this time, we are only addressing their complaints received prior to June 1, 2004 due to EISD having asked for a ruling from this office on Ms. Pharr's and Ms. Bushart's PIA requests made after said date.

As to the PIA requests made prior to June 1, 2004, the requestors contend that they have yet to receive the requested information. Our records do not indicate that the EISD has asked for an attorney general's decision seeking to withhold the requested information pursuant to section 552.301 of the PIA.

Chapter 552 makes the Texas Attorney General responsible for enforcing the statute. Although our office takes that responsibility seriously, we prefer to work with the parties to try and resolve complaints informally if at all possible. The easiest way to resolve these PIA complaints is to release the information that was requested to Ms. Pharr and Ms. Bushart (provided that the requested information is not confidential by law). In order to expedite the resolution of these matters, please complete each two page form attached to each PIA request complaint (numbered "AG #1", et al.) and return each to this office within ten

business days of receipt of this letter. To further discuss this matter, you may contact me at (512) 936-1893.

Sincerely,




Brandy Byrd
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Public Information Act Prosecutor


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enclosure

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