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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Department of Human Services
DOJ File No.: 100301-GA0102-21

Dear Mr. Ludington:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to your petition, on behalf of a client, for disclosure under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.478. Your petition asks the Attorney General to order the Department of Human Services (DHS) to disclose records relating to certain complaints of elder abuse.

DHS initially denied your request believing that any responsive records would be exempt from disclosure under ORS 124.090, a provision that makes certain reports of elder abuse and related investigatory information confidential. In response to your petition, we contacted Kimberly Colkitt-Hallman in DHS' Public Records Unit. She informed us that DHS has now withdrawn its earlier denial and will process your request.

Because DHS has agreed to process your request, we respectfully dismiss your petition as moot.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Attorney General

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