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Re: Petition for Public Records Disclosure Order
Department of Human Services
DOJ File No.: 100101-GA0034-24

Dear Ms. Syphers:

This letter is the Attorney General's response to your petition under the Oregon Public Records Law, ORS 192.311 to 192.478. Your petition asks the Attorney General to order the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) to disclose certain child welfare records. We understand that despite DHS' attempts to obtain clarification from you, DHS informed you that it was unable to process your request based on the information you provided.

We discussed your petition with Caroline Burnell in DHS' public records unit. In light of the additional information provided in your appeal and in two subsequent record requests submitted by you, Ms. Burnell informed us that DHS has reopened your request and is currently processing it. Because DHS is now processing your request and has not otherwise denied your request for records, we respectfully dismiss your petition as moot. *See* ORS 192.411(1) (the Attorney General's authority is generally limited to evaluating a state agency's denial or partial denial of a records request).

Sincerely,

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