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Re: Petition to Attorney General for Public Records Disclosure Order

Dear Mr. Birhanzl:

This letter responds to your March 30, 1988 petition for a public records disclosure order of the Attorney General. You ask the Attorney General to order the Department of State Police to provide you with a copy of a Patrol Division study of costs of photocopying accident reports. In this particular instance, however, there is no need for a disclosure order of the Attorney General under the Public Records Law.

After the Department of State Police had an opportunity to consult with its legal counsel, Charles Pritchard, the Chief Counsel in our Criminal Justice Division, the department decided that it would not invoke any exemption from the disclosure requirements of the Records Law that might apply to the document you wish to inspect. In fact, I have been authorized to furnish you with a copy of that document as an enclosure with this letter. The Attorney General therefore respectfully denies your petition as moot. A copy of a March 2, 1988 memorandum on "Accident Report Sales" is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure
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