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Description of document: The state of Wyoming list of prohibited or banned

personalized license plates, procedures for screening personalized license plate applications, and where

available, administrative appeals of withdrawn personalized

plates, 2012

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State of Wyoming Motor Vehicle Services

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Note: Not all requested items were available from all respondents

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## Department of Transportation

State of Wyoming



Matt Mead Governor

October 31, 2012

RE: Public Records Request

Your recent public records request was forwarded to me for response.

- 1) I am not comfortable providing our list of prohibited personalized license plate combinations. The list contains common 3 and 4 letter words or abbreviations that should not be spoken in mixed company. Our policy is to deny any combination that spells, connotes, abbreviates, or otherwise stands for language that is obscene, vulgar, indecent, or pruriently suggestive. You may construct your own list, which will be similar to our list, by listing these types of words.
- 2) Our internal instructions and formal policy can be found on the back of our application:
  - Only capital letters and Arabic numerals shall be used. No other symbols or characters will be allowed. A maximum of four (4) letters or combination of four (4) letters and numbers may be requested. The letters and numbers will be the same size as on regular license plates and will be arranged in a straight horizontal line. Any combination that spells, connotes, abbreviates, or otherwise stands for language that is obscene, vulgar, indecent, or pruriently suggestive will not be allowed. No four (4) character combinations can contain more than a total of three (3) W's or three (3) M's. No combinations consisting of a number or numbers followed by a single alphabetic suffix will be issued. No combinations consisting entirely of numbers will be issued as a personalized prestige license plate unless the beginning digit is a zero (0). In addition, no combination shall duplicate a currently issued plate or conflict with a series of letter and number combinations on a regular issue license plate.
- 3) There have been no appeal letters from applicants whose personalized plate was rejected or motorists whose personalized plates were reclaimed since January 1, 2010.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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