



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

COMMISSIONER
Anne Heiligenstein

December 22, 2008

Albert Hawkins
Executive Commissioner
Health and Human Services Commission
701 West 51st Street
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Executive Commissioner Hawkins:

Please find enclosed the Department of Family and Protective Services' report on the investigation at the Yearning for Zion (YFZ) Ranch in Eldorado, Texas.

On March 30, 2008, a report of abuse at the ranch was received and Child Protective Services (CPS) began conducting investigations of the children living at that ranch. The investigations are concluded and the enclosed report discusses several elements of the investigations without jeopardizing the privacy of the families involved.

CPS will continue to work toward serving the best interest of the children and families involved in these and all cases.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anne Heiligenstein', is written over a horizontal line.

Anne Heiligenstein
Commissioner