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ROBERT J. BAUMAN

ALDERMAN, 4TH DISTRICT

July 21, 2008

Mr. Rocky Marcoux
Commissioner
Department of City Development
809 N. Broadway
Milwaukee, WI. 53202

RE: New Berlin Water Sales

Dear Commissioner Marcoux:

I am writing with regard to the proposed sale of water to the middle third of New Berlin. By this letter, I am requesting that your department prepare an analysis of this proposed water sale agreement with particular attention to the eight water sale criteria established in previous Common Council resolutions. Specifically, these criteria are:

1. Whether the proposed sale is the result of a water shortage or water contamination public health crisis in the community or area to be served.
2. Whether the community or area to be served is fully developed or primarily undeveloped.
3. Whether the community or area to be served is primarily residential or business.
4. Whether further expansion of the community or area to be served is contingent upon the availability of City of Milwaukee water.
5. Whether the sale may have a potential negative economic impact on the City due to lost opportunities for attracting new business and jobs to Milwaukee.
6. Whether the community or area to be served has adopted a comprehensive plan according to the provisions of Sec. 66.1001, Wis. Stats.
7. Whether the community or area to be served has adopted a comprehensive housing strategy which integrates affordable housing opportunities to encourage racial and income diversification.
8. Whether the community or area to be served has adopted a comprehensive public transportation strategy which expands and improves transportation links between disadvantaged persons living in Urban Milwaukee County and suburban job opportunities.

I understand that your staff submitted a one page memo purporting to address criteria #4 above. However, given the gravity of the issue before the council, I did not find this memo satisfactory. I should note that I have also been given a 46 page water sale analysis prepared

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in 1974 that also involved proposed water sales to New Berlin. This report is very informative and useful. I am looking for an analysis more along the lines of this 1974 analysis.

I will hold the water sale files until your staff is able to prepare this report.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Bauman", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Robert J. Bauman
Alderman, 4th District