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To the Honorable Common Council Of the City of Milwaukee Room 205 – City Hall

RE:

Communications from Katie and Ivan Eisenberg

C.I. File No. 1029-2023-1509

Dear Sir or Madam:

Claimants Katie and Ivan Eisenberg allege that the City of Milwaukee is responsible for charges they incurred to repair the building sewer lateral at their residence at 1565 South 35th Street.

Our investigation into this matter revealed that on March 8, 2022, 5-Star Energy Services hit and damaged claimant's sewer lateral while under contract with Milwaukee Water Works (MWW) to replace the water service line. 5-Star Energy subsequently made the necessary sewer lateral repairs. After these repairs were complete, claimants made the decision, and paid to have their entire sewer lateral lined.

On March 29, 2023, claimant's sewer lateral was again hit and damaged, this time by Sirrah, LLC. Sirrah, performing work for the roadway paving project being run by the general contractor Zignego, Inc., made the necessary sewer lateral repairs. This work was being done under WISDPOT State contract project ID 2667-03-71.

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Claimants are now seeking compensation, claiming that the warranty on their recently installed sewer lining is no longer valid. Inasmuch as the City is held harmless from all liability for damages occasioned by these contracts, the City of Milwaukee is not liable for damages in this case. Accordingly, we recommend that this claim for \$13,772.58 be denied.

Very truly yours,

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