



Fire Department

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To the Honorable
Members of the Common Council
City Hall
200 East Wells Street, Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Common Council Members:

Prior to 2007, the Milwaukee County billed and collected from patients for paramedic services provided by local emergency medical service departments. In January 2007, the terms and responsibilities of the Milwaukee County and local emergency medical services providers changed, including making local governments accountable for their own billing and collection services. The Milwaukee Common Council adopted the changes outlined in a 2007-2008 Emergency Medical Services agreement on January 17, 2007 pursuant to Substitute Common Council Resolution 060984, which contained a provision to hire Claims Processing and Receivables (CPR) Incorporated to provide billing and collecting services from April 1 to September 30, 2007. Advanced Data Processing Incorporated (ADPI) replaced CPR effective October 1, 2007. Our contract with ADPI is in effect through September 30, 2013. These agencies generate billing for patients who receive emergency medical care from the Milwaukee Fire Department and collects for those services from patients and/or their insurance companies (i.e., Medicare, Title XIX, GAMP).

Milwaukee County makes annual payments to the City of Milwaukee for paramedic training and supplies, contingent upon adopted Milwaukee County budgets. We received about \$1,206,154 in 2007, \$1,234,609 in 2008 and \$1,778,137 in 2009 based upon a formula and our total MED units. Since 2007, payments from the Milwaukee County and revenues collected from patients and their insurance companies have contributed \$21,124,953 of deposits to the City's general fund. Some accounts are written-off based on reimbursable limits established under various insurance guidelines.

In 2007, collections from ALS patients and their insurance agents totaled \$4,068,171 compared to \$5,536,782 in 2008, and \$4,062,700 in 2009.

Milwaukee Fire Department - E M S Billing Accounts Receivable Aged Trial Balance		
Report as of:	12/31/2009	REPORT #4
AGE	A / R Balance	Percent of A/R
CURRENT	\$906,857.65	13.97%
30 DAYS	\$438,310.55	6.75%
60 DAYS	\$365,346.82	5.63%
90 DAYS	\$373,930.98	5.76%
120 DAYS	\$292,620.75	4.51%
150 DAYS	\$313,754.05	4.83%
180 Days	\$283,435.78	4.37%
210 Days	\$3,515,559.30	54.17%
TOTAL	\$6,489,815.88	

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Actuals	2007	Pct	2008	Pct	2009	Pct
January	\$ (1,206,154.50)	19%	\$ (544,792.10)	8%	\$ (142,339.62)	2%
February	\$ (23,290.83)	0%	\$ (578,787.24)	9%	\$ (367,807.11)	6%
March	\$ -	0%	\$ (563,371.15)	8%	\$ (277,999.91)	5%
April	\$ (738,368.40)	11%	\$ (373,944.88)	6%	\$ (693,703.96)	12%
May	\$ (453,227.69)	7%	\$ (510,811.20)	8%	\$ (260,917.90)	4%
June	\$ (301,332.62)	5%	\$ (921,823.18)	14%	\$ (326,407.27)	6%
July	\$ (548,550.38)	8%	\$ (439,780.55)	6%	\$ (342,576.60)	6%
August	\$ (445,181.71)	7%	\$ (530,305.39)	8%	\$ (448,107.62)	8%
September	\$ (837,083.90)	13%	\$ (481,666.40)	7%	\$ (797,702.29)	14%
October	\$ (561,027.47)	9%	\$ (571,745.77)	8%	\$ (571,011.67)	10%
November	\$ (493,765.34)	8%	\$ (404,267.64)	6%	\$ (284,057.55)	5%
December	\$ (895,788.46)	14%	\$ (862,318.10)	13%	\$ (1,286,306.80)	22%
Totals	\$ (6,503,771.30)		\$ (6,783,613.60)		\$ (5,798,938.30)	

Please contact Business Finance Manager Emma Stamps at 286-5281 if you have questions related to this report.

Sincerely,



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cc: Budget