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RE: C.I. File No. 1029-2014-2441
Communication from ATTORNEY PHILLIP GEORGES on
behalf of MONIQUE HUMES

Dear Attorney Georges:

We have received your client's claim in the amount of \$5,000.00, relating to damage allegedly sustained on June 18, 2014 when backwater from the City's sewer backed up into the basement of your client's residence at 8551 West Grantosa Drive.

The Infrastructure Services Division (ISD) records indicate that on June 18, 2014 they responded to a call of a backwater at 8551 West Grantosa Drive. They found the City main sewer to be clogged with heavy grease. A Sewer Jet was used to open the sewer and restore it to proper working order. Subsequently, the ISD televised the sewer and found structural deficiencies in a section of the downstream sewer. They scheduled a replacement of this section. The ISD records also indicate that the sewer is on a regular cleaning schedule and was last cleaned, prior to this incident, on October 7, 2013. Because the sewer is on a regular cleaning schedule and the City did not have notice of problems with the sewer, the City cannot be held liable. Therefore, we are denying your client's claim.

*mailed
9/19/14*



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If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a letter within 21 days of the receipt of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, requesting a hearing.

Very truly yours,



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