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Tramont Manufacturing LLC
326 East Keefe Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53212

Date: January 28, 2026

Milwaukee City Clerk
200 East Wells Street, Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Appeal of Claim Closure
C.I. File No.: 2025-002152
Property: 326 East Keefe Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53212

Dear City Clerk,

This letter serves as a formal appeal and request for a hearing regarding the closure of the above-referenced claim submitted by Tramont Manufacturing LLC.

Tramont Manufacturing LLC respectfully disputes the determination that the claim is barred due to untimely notice under Wisconsin Statute § 893.80(1d)(a). Although the incident giving rise to the claim occurred on or about September 27, 2024, the full extent of the damage, the underlying cause, and the potential involvement of the City of Milwaukee were not immediately known or reasonably discoverable at that time.

The damages sustained required investigation, documentation, and professional evaluation to determine both causation and responsibility. Only after completing this process was Tramont Manufacturing LLC able to reasonably identify the circumstances supporting a claim against the City. Upon confirmation of those facts, Tramont Manufacturing LLC submitted its Notice of Claim on November 3, 2025, in good faith and as soon as practicable under the circumstances.

Wisconsin courts have recognized that strict application of the notice statute may be excused where a claimant demonstrates reasonable cause for delayed notice and where the municipality has not been prejudiced by the timing of the notice. In this matter, the City of Milwaukee has suffered no prejudice. The property damage remains fully documented, and relevant evidence and witnesses remain available for review.

Tramont Manufacturing LLC is a long-standing Milwaukee-based manufacturer that employs local residents, contributes to the City's tax base and supports the surrounding industrial and commercial ecosystem. The continued operation of established manufacturers such as Tramont is critical to maintaining stable employment, productive industrial land use, and sustained economic activity within the City. Consideration of this matter on its merits through a hearing would be consistent with the City's interest in supporting existing manufacturers and ensuring fair treatment of local employers.

Accordingly, Tramont Manufacturing LLC respectfully requests that the City schedule a hearing on this matter and reconsider the closure of the claim.

Please direct any correspondence regarding this appeal to the address listed above. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Matt Marlett
Tramont Manufacturing LLC

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January 6, 2026

Mr. Matt Marlett
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RE: C.I. File No. 2025-002152
Communication from TRAMONT MANUFACTURING LLC

Dear Mr. Marlett:

We have received your claim regarding property damage that occurred on September 27, 2024 at the property address located at 326 East Keefe Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53212.

This notice of claim was filed on November 3, 2025. Wisconsin Statute § 893.80(1d)(a) requires that a notice of the circumstances of the claim be served within 120 days after the happening of the event giving rise to the claim. Because you did not meet the statutory timeframe for service of notice, the file is being closed and will not be processed further.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,

EVAN C. GOYKE
City Attorney

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Claim Investigator Adjuster

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