March 2, 2025

Mr. Evan Goyke

200 East Wells St room 205 Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Communication from Eric LaRue

C.I File No. 1048-2024-1977

Dear Mr. Goyke,

I appeal your decision and am requesting a hearing in this matter, unless this issue can be satisfactorily resolved via a phone call or email correspondence.

In response to your reasons noted for denial:

-This claim does not meet the statutory timeframe for service of notice

Back in 2020 the Milwaukee Water works team paid a 3rd party plumber to fix the valve they admittedly broke/caused a leak, and I was advised on multiple occasions by the water inspectors this issue was resolved. I would not have filed a claim within 120 days after the event, because I was advised on multiple occasions by then water inspectors Mr. Bell, and Mr. Kutz the issue was resolved.

-It is the view of Milwaukee Water Works this leak was due to age and existing corrosion

Prior to the water meter being replaced I had been maintaining an operable inlet valve to ensure access to the meter. The valve was not leaking prior to the water works technician replacing the meter.

Thank you

Eric LaRue

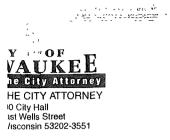
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Milwaukee, WI 53207

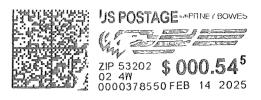
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January 28, 2025

Mailed 2-14-25

Mr. Eric LaRue 3125 South Herman Street Milwaukee, WI 53207

RE:

Communication from Eric LaRue

C.I. File No. 1048-2024-1977

Dear Mr. LaRue:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$1,600.00, in regards to the lead service replacement requirement for your water service line at 3125 West Herman Street.

This notice of claim was filed on October 11, 2024. 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. This claim does not meet the statutory timeframe for service of notice.

Our investigation into this matter reveals that on February 13, 2020, a leak was discovered at the inlet valve on your water meter after the water meter had been exchanged. Per City of Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, s.225-25.55-3-a, a service line must be replaced when a leak or failure has been discovered on either the privately owned or utility owned portion of the service line. It is the view of Milwaukee Water Works that this leak at the valve was due to age and existing corrosion, and not to any repair work or negligence by Milwaukee Water Works.

For the reasons noted above, we are denying your claim. 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,

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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

PATRICIA KLOSIEWSKI

Investigator Adjuster

ECG/PK/cdr

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