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To the Honorable the Common Council City of Milwaukee

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed is our first Semiannual Report of Office of the Comptroller Audit Activities, as required under Common Council Resolution 020897 (also enclosed). This Report identifies audits completed in 2002, audits completed, underway and planned in 2003, and potential future audits.

You will note that the implementation status of audit recommendations for completed audits is in many cases unknown. We will follow-up with City departments in order to provide you with this status information in our next July 2003 Report.

Auditor vacancies have reduced our ability to produce timely audit work products. The Information Systems Auditor vacancy has been a particular problem. Previous attempts to recruit for this position were unsuccessful, and this has hampered our ability to audit City information systems and network security. Filling this and other auditor vacancies will certainly enhance our current audit efforts.

We would be pleased to discuss this Report with the appropriate Common Council Committee at its convenience.

Very truly yours,

W. MARTIN MORICS

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