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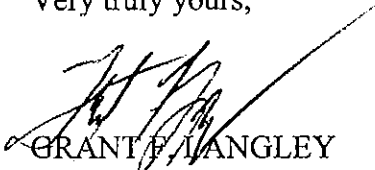
Re: Retention of Outside Counsel

Dear Alderman D'Amato:

Pursuant to Common Council FN 030083 adopted on May 13, 2003 requiring the Judiciary & Legislation Committee be notified in writing of the retention of any outside counsel, I am reporting the following.

Our office has retained the services of Attorney Amy Seibel as outside counsel for the case *U.S. Oil v. City*, Case No. 06CV6837. This case involves the assessment of three of the oil terminals at 107th and Brown Deer and will set a precedent for the assessment of all the terminals there. The case involves complex analysis of pipeline accounting statements that Ms. Seibel, also an Accountant, will supply. Ms. Seibel will also assist in the preparation of the City's expert witness testimony by members of the Assessor's staff.

Very truly yours,



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