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April 17, 2007

Shawn Thiermann
1935 North Oakland Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Shawn Thiermann
C.I. File No: 06-S-339

Dear Mr. Thiermann:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$1,342.75, relating to damage allegedly sustained to your vehicle when it was towed to the City of Milwaukee Tow Lot.

Our investigation reveals that your vehicle was towed on November 1, 2006 for Illegal Parking/Unpaid Citations. It was towed by flatbed. You retrieved your vehicle that same day. Upon release it was towed, as a courtesy, to the street. You returned to the tow lot the next day and filed a complaint. The PT-27 form, completed prior to the tow, indicates that minor scratches and dents were all over the vehicle. The Tow Lot Vehicle Inventory Form, completed upon arrival at the tow lot, and intake video indicate that there was some surface damage on the vehicle and that the left front tire was flat. The alleged damage to your exhaust pipe and front end alignment would not be caused by typical towing or storage of the vehicle. The damage to your vehicle appears to have happened prior to the tow. As such, the City cannot accept liability. Therefore, we are denying your claim.

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If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a letter within 21 days of the date 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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