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July 15, 2002

To the Honorable Common Council Of the City of Milwaukee Room 205 – City Hall

Re:

Communication from LaWannda Anderson

C.I. File No. 02-L-51

Dear Council Members:

The attached communication was inadvertently sent directly to the claimant. Our office requests that it be set on the next available hearing calendar. We also enclose a copy of the original claim.

Very truly yours,

GRANT/F. LANGLEY

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Enclosure

Form CA-43

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Ms. LaWannda Anderson 5418A West Garfield Avenue

Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53208-1018

Dear Ms. Anderson:

July 8, 2002

Re: Claim of LaWannda Anderson

Tow No. 1115230 Our File No. 02-L-51

Our office has received your claim relating to the towing of your car. You indicate that your vehicle was towed on February 2, 2002 and subsequently destroyed. You were originally seeking \$10,419.00, the amount you believe the car and the contents therein were worth. On July 1, 2002, you amended your claim for an additional \$612.30 for a U-Haul that you rented and an additional \$3500.00 (\$500.00 for each month that you claim has been unresolved). You state that the \$500.00 starts from January 2002, even though your car wasn't towed until February 2, 2002.

Our investigation reveals that your vehicle was towed for being illegally parked in excess of 24 hours on February 2, 2002. Your vehicle was tow eligible because it had three outstanding parking citations. On February 4, 2002 the City of Milwaukee Tow Lot sent you a letter, a copy of which you attached to your claim, stating that you had 15 days to reclaim your vehicle. According to the tow lot, you came to the tow lot on February 16, 2002 and David Lawrence, the tow lot manager, waived 2 days of towing fees. You did not pick up your vehicle on that date. You admit that you arrived at the tow lot with someone else's credit card but the clerk would not process the transaction because the person the credit card was issued to was not present. Instead you signed a release authorizing Quincy Anderson to pick up your vehicle. According to the tow lot, he was going to pick up your vehicle the following Monday, February 18, 2002. The tow lot states that you were reminded that your vehicle was going to be recycled on February 20, 2002. You did not retrieve your vehicle by February 20, 2002 and it was recycled that same day. Notice was properly given and 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 receipt of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202.

Very truly yours,

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