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Alderman, Ashanti Hamilton, Chair  
Judiciary and Legislation Committee  
City Hall – Room 205

Re: Semi-Annual Claims & Litigation Reports

Dear Alderman Hamilton:

Pursuant to your letter of June 9, 2005 and Section 304-7, Milw. Code of Ordinances, ss. 2(f) requesting the submission of semiannual reports as to the determination and disposition of all claims filed during the preceding period, the following reports are being submitted for the Committee's review. The first report is a *Semi-Annual Report of All Claims Pending and Closed through June 30, 2008*. The report lists the following information:

Total number of claims pending - 1,185  
Total number of claims closed - 731  
Total amount of claims denied - 339  
Total amount of settlements - \$372,048.28

Also, attached is a *Semi-Annual Report of Litigation Matters closed through Jun 30, 2008* and their disposition. The report lists the following information:

Total number of cases pending - 508  
Total number of cases closed - 371  
Total number of cases closed without payment - 345<sup>1</sup>  
Total number of cases settled - 17  
Total amount of settlements - \$265,008.89  
Total number of cases resulting in judgments - 6  
Total number of cases resulting in judgments against the City - 1  
Total amount of judgments against the City - \$453,349.31<sup>2</sup>  
Total number of cases resulting in judgments for the City - 5  
Total amount of judgments for the City - \$14,261.06

<sup>1</sup> 26 matters had a payment, 12 of those were paid prior to 1/1/08 but closed later. Not all litigation matters with a payment in the first six months of 2008 have been closed to date. Payments made from Damages & Claims Fund and Water Department Liability Self-Insurance Reserve Fund.

<sup>2</sup> In addition to payments made from the Damages & Claims Fund, settlement amounts may include payments made by RACM and other departments. This judgment was entered against the Assessor's Office.

Alderman Ashanti Hamilton  
August 25, 2008  
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Please fee free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



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