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October 4, 2002

Mr. Ezzard White 3518 North 51st Blvd. Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53216-2934

Re:

Claim of Ezzard White

Tow No. 1126261 Our File No. 02-S-250

Dear Mr. White:

Our office has received your claim relating to the towing of your car. You indicate that your vehicle was towed on June 5, 2002 and when you retrieved the vehicle you discovered that the right front tire was damaged. You further claim that when the lot attendant tried to tow your vehicle to the street, he damaged the front end of your vehicle, the bumper fog lights and the signals. You are seeking \$2050.86.

Our investigation reveals that your vehicle was towed for safekeeping on June 5, 2002. The tire damage portion of your claim is being tendered to C.H.I. Towing Inc. We have determined that the tire was flat when it arrived at the tow lot and, therefore, C.H.I. Towing may have caused that damage. Regarding your claim for the damage done while your vehicle was on the tow lot, according to Louis Black at the City of Milwaukee Tow Lot, you requested a courtesy tow to the street, but the lot attendant did not tow your vehicle to the street because he was unable to hook up his tow truck to the type of bumper on your vehicle. According to the records at the tow lot, you had AAA come to the tow lot to retrieve your vehicle. Since there is no specific evidence to support your belief that the tow lot caused the damage, the City cannot accept liability. Accordingly, we are denying that portion of 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,

GRANT F. LANGLEY

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Enclosure

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