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

Re: Communication from Clarence & Carlene Grim
C.I. File No. 00-L-125

Dear Council Members:

We return the enclosed document which has been filed with the City Clerk and ask that it be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation with the following recommendation.

Claimants, Clarence & Carlene Grim, 2203 East Newberry Boulevard, Milwaukee, WI 53211 allege that on May 3, 2000 their sanitary sewer lateral was damaged by a City work crew, causing water to enter their basement. They claim damages of \$57, 494.00.

The Milwaukee Water Works determined that the claimant's sanitary sewer lateral was likely damaged by City work crew repair activity on the water main in the immediate vicinity of the claimant's home.

Negotiations to settle this claim have been unsuccessful. City work crews made the necessary repairs to the claimant's sewer lateral. The claimants received \$3,506.00 from their private insurance carrier as a result of this incident. The claimants maintain their position that they sustained damages of \$57, 494.00.

To the Hon. Common Council

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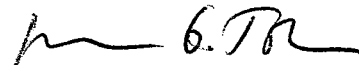
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It is our opinion that the claimants have not fully justified their expenses and damages with regard to this incident. Accordingly, we recommend this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,


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Enclosure