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January 7, 2015

Mr. Richard Paetz
19 Sweetgum Drive
Pawleys Island, SC 29585

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RE: C.I. File No. 1068-2014-2532
Communication from RICHARD PAETZ

Dear Mr. Paetz:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$1,854.66, relating to damage to your vehicle, which was parked on 55th Street near Center Street, on September 9, 2014 when you allege that it was hit by debris which was thrown by a City stump grinder.

The Forestry Section indicates that on September 9, 2014 a Forestry crew was grinding a City tree stump on the east side of 55th Street, south of Center Street. Your vehicle was parked across the street. The City equipment had shields. The crew did not see debris hit your vehicle. Subsequently, you were not able to specifically identify damage to your vehicle from this alleged incident. The rocks in the road could not necessarily even be attributed to the stump operation.

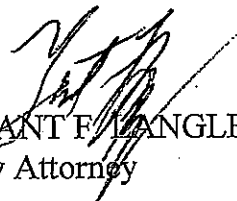
There is no evidence that the City was negligent in this matter. As such, the City would not be liable. Therefore, we are denying your claim.



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