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To: Alderman Robert Puente, Chair  
Private Alarm System Task Force

From: Attorney Brian C. Randall (BCR@FFSJ.com)

Cc: Mr. Chris Utter, President – WIESA  
Mr. Richard Withers – Legislative Reference Bureau  
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Re: City of Milwaukee Private Alarm Systems Task Force

Subject: Proposed Ordinance Change

Date: April 30, 2010

On behalf of Private Alarm System Task Force member Chris Utter, please consider the following ordinance change at the next meeting.

Existing § 105-75-2-b:

"Alarm business" means any person engaged in selling, leasing, renting, installing, monitoring, servicing, altering, moving or causing any alarm system to be sold, leased, rented, installed, monitored, serviced or altered in or on any building, place of business, structure, residence or other facility. Included in this definition are holders in due course of alarm system contracts. Excluded from this definition are sellers of alarm systems from a fixed location who do not visit the site where the alarm system is to be installed and any person engaged solely in the business of designing the system for the location. Also excluded from this definition is any person engaged solely in the business of confirming that attempted or actual crimes have occurred at the locations of activated burglary alarms.

Proposed § 105-75-2-b (added text **bold/underlined**):

"Alarm business" means any person engaged in selling, leasing, renting, installing, monitoring, servicing, altering, moving or causing any alarm system to be sold, leased, rented, installed, monitored, serviced or altered in or on any building, place of business, structure, residence or other facility. Included in this definition are holders in due course of alarm system contracts **and alarm monitoring service contracts**. Excluded from this definition are sellers of alarm systems from a fixed location who do not visit the site where the alarm system is to be installed, **an alarm monitoring service that does not hold in due course a contract with an alarm user** and any person engaged solely in the business of designing the system for the location. Also excluded from this definition is any person engaged solely in the business of confirming that attempted or actual crimes have occurred at the locations of activated burglary alarms.

Mr. Utter or I will be happy to explain the rationale behind this suggestion at Monday's meeting.