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

Re: Communication from Kathleen Putnam
C.I. File No. 02-L-42

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.

Claimant, Kathleen Putnam, 6160 South 6th Street, Unit E-37, Milwaukee, WI 53221-5121, alleges that between December 5, 2001 to December 11, 2001 she sustained damages when she drove over a ditch in the road in the 4900 block of South Howell Avenue. She claims damages in the amount of \$12,000.00.

Our investigation reveals that the Infrastructure Services Division records indicate that the construction activity in this area relates to the installation of a water lateral. The plumber is Louis Schmitt Plumbing, 2212 Sunnydale Road, Mequon, WI 53092. On December 12, 2001, after receiving a complaint, a Street Operations Supervisor investigated and advised them of the hazard.


To the Hon. Common Council

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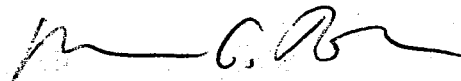
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They agreed to patch the excavation by the end of the workday. This was done. Since the City is not involved with the project, it cannot be held liable. Accordingly, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosure