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March 4, 2011

Candice Armstrong 3255 North 44th Street Milwaukee, WI 53216

RE:

Candice Armstrong

C.I. File No.: 11-S-30

Dear Ms. Armstrong:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$1,181.41, relating to the board-up of your property and the alleged burglary of the property at 2513 North 41<sup>st</sup> Street on October 27, 2010.

Our investigation reveals that the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) was called to this property after a complaint was received relative to an illegal after hour party location. The MPD came to the location to conduct a check of the property. They were let in by a person that was there changing the padlocks on a refrigerator at the home. The officers observed that the windows had black plastic covering them. The living room contained a pole with a platform and mirrors, a couch with a TV on the wall and the dining room had a "stocked" bar and large speakers. The house also contained other items used in an operation such as this. The MPD also had a Department of Neighborhood Services (DNS) inspector with them during this inspection.

The officers located a yard sign in the alley with the name, Candice and a contact number. They tried the number and it was disconnected. They also checked DNS records at that time and found the property was transferred to you, but no phone or address was listed. Since there was no apparent way to contact you at that time, the decision was made to secure the property via a DPW board-up. It was also noted you subsequently contacted MPD and your phone number was added to the DNS records.

Since the City departments followed standard procedures and there is no evidence the City was negligent in this matter, it cannot accept liability and 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,

GRANT F. LANGLEY

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Investigator Adjuster

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