September 21, 2005

Kerri Allen 2623 West 71st Street, 1st Floor Chicago, IL 60629

RE: Kerri Allen

C.I. File No: 05-S-227

Dear Ms. Allen:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$1,000.00, relating to injuries you sustained to your knee on or about July 12, 2005 when you allegedly tripped on a City of Milwaukee sidewalk leading up to the Maximus Office at 6550 North 76<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee, WI.

Our investigation reveals the Infrastructure Services Division (ISD) conducted a site investigation and found the Maximus Job Center is located within a shopping mall at this site. The ISD personnel that conducted the site investigation observed a location within the shopping mall that had an offset with a traffic cone placed over it. This location was located on private property and was not within the public right-of-way. Since the City does not have maintenance responsibility for private property, it cannot accept liability for your loss and we are denying your claim.

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

ROBERT M. OVERHOLT Investigator Adjuster

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