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

Re: Communication from Michael Ogrodowski

C.I. File No. 00-L-129

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, Michael Ogrodowski, 3208 North Oakland Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53211 on his own behalf alleges that City employees damaged the sewer lateral to his rental property at 2078 South 34th Street while repairing a water main break in May 2000.He claims damages of \$6,210.47.

The Milwaukee Water Works investigated this claim and determined that the claimant's sewer lateral damage was not caused by any repair activity. In addition, Infrastructure Services Division has recorded sewer backup complaints for the claimant's property on at least two dates less than two months prior to the Water Works repair activity.

The claimant's sewer lateral was not damaged as a result of negligence by employees of the City of Milwaukee. Accordingly, we recommend denial of this claim.

Very truly yours,

GRANT F. LANGLEY City Attorney

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MGT:beg Enclosure