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February 16, 2022

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

RE:

C.I. File No. 1029-2021-1379

Communication from SHARON A. GREEN

Dear Council Members:

Ms. Green alleges that on August 9, 2021 sewage drains malfunctioned causing water damage to the lower level of her home and her personal property at 8603 North Servite Drive. Ms. Green submitted damages for the amount of \$10,298.00.

Milwaukee Water Works (MWW) reported that there had been two hydrant repairs in the vicinity of Ms. Green's address: May 25, 2021 at 8780 North Servite Drive and August 26, 2021 at 8672 North Servite Drive. There have been no other repair activities performed by MWW, and no other calls or complaints were received until this claim was submitted.

DPW Infrastructure Services Division reported that they responded to a backwater call at Ms. Green's address on August 8, 2021 and found a clogged eight-inch sanitary sewer. The clog was opened immediately by a Jet Vac crew relieving the back water at the address. The sewer was inspected again on August 11, 2021 and found to be in good working condition. The sewer is on a three-year cleaning schedule, and was last cleaned in September 2018.

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There is no evidence that the City was negligent. Therefore, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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