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December 2, 2011

Janis Cottrell 8911C North Swan Road Milwaukee, WI 53224

RE: Janis Cottrell

C.I. File No.: 11-S-186

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$517.62, relating to alleged damage to your vehicle when it collided with a pothole at North 91<sup>st</sup> Street and West Calumet Road.

Our investigation reveals that the Infrastructure Services Division (ISD) reviewed their records relative to this incident. They found they had no prior notice of this hazard along the roadway prior to June 15, 2011. They also checked the records relative to your allegation regarding the barricade that was near this loss location. They found the barricades were left there for another DPW operation that was set to begin on June 16, 2011.

The Milwaukee Water Works (MWW) also reviewed their records. They found they had completed a branch repair on April 7, 2011 at 7622 North 91<sup>st</sup> Street. Once the repair was completed, the excavation crew completed a temporary pavement repair in preparation of permanent repairs at a later date. The MWW and ISD received no complaints other than this claim, regarding this situation. The departments also noted this is a heavily traveled roadway. The City department followed their standard procedures in this matter. As such, 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 MANGLEY

City Attorney

ROBERT OVERHOLT Investigator Adjuster

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