April 26, 2001

To the Honorable Common Council City Hall 200 East Wells Street, Room 205 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Re: Resolution authorizing cancellation of Department of Public Works Invoice No. 71714 dated September 10, 1999 and billed to M.J. Construction in the amount of \$6,245.83.

Dear Committee Members:

Attached is a resolution canceling Department of Public Works Invoice No. 71714 dated September 10, 1999 and billed to M.J. Construction in the amount of \$6,245.83 for damage to lead cables, plastic cable and title ducts at the Center of West Lisbon Avenue, N.S. of West Lloyd Street. The contractor struck the cable and conduit during installation of an underground sewer line.

In marking the location of two cables at this location, the City placed only one marking on the pavement. Two conduits were buried at this location approximately two feet apart. When the contractor uncovered the first conduit, he proceeded assuming there were no other conduits, and then hit the second cable.

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Absent a second marking for the second conduit, the contractor could not have

known of its existence. Therefore, we recommend passage of the attached resolution.

Very truly yours,

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