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August 22, 2002

Annette Patton
5322 North 65th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53218

Dear Ms. Patton:

RE: C.I. File No: 02-S-158

This office is in receipt of your claim relating to damage sustained to your vehicle on April 24, 2002 when it was parked in front of 5322 North 65th Street.

Our investigation reveals that the Milwaukee Water Works records indicate that they received notice of a possible water main break in the area of 5322 North 65th Street at approximately 10:31 P.M. on April 24, 2002. A Water Works investigator arrived by 11:00 P.M., reported an eight inch main break and noted that your vehicle had partially sunk into a sinkhole. A supervisor was sent, and she arranged for your vehicle to be towed from the sinkhole. The main was shut off by 3:00 A.M., repaired and returned to service by 5:55 A.M. Although there has been recent break activity on this section of water main, the overall condition does not warrant replacement at this time. The Milwaukee Water Works was not negligent regarding the response, repair or minimization of damages. As such, the City cannot accept liability. Accordingly, we are denying your claim.

Annette Patton
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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,

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