September 30, 2003

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: Conduit IH-794

Dear Council Members:

We have reviewed a request from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for permission to install and maintain fiber optic voice and computer data cable located adjacent to the east-west freeway (IH-794) right-of-way.

The applicant's request is to install and maintain a communication/data cable in conduit across and beneath the public rights-of-way as follows:

- A segment of the underground conduit in the public right-of-way will begin at a point on the westline of the alley west of North 8<sup>th</sup> Street, approximately 25 feet north of West Michigan Street, and will extend southward to a communication vault at the south side of West Michigan Street, then extending east to Milwaukee County property west of North James Lovell Street at 531 North James Lovell Street.
- A segment of underground conduit in the public right-of-way will begin at a point on the westline of North James Lovell Street, approximately 125 feet south of West Michigan Street, and will extend eastward in and across North James Lovell Street to a communication vault at the east side of North James Lovell Street, then northward to a communication vault at the southeast corner of West Michigan Street and North James Lovell Street, then eastward to the center of the easterly roadway of North 6<sup>th</sup> Street, than southward to West Clybourn Street, then eastward to North 5<sup>th</sup> Street, then southward across West St. Paul Avenue.

We do not believe that the proposed installations will have an adverse effect on the general use of the public rights-of-way. We have, therefore, prepared the attached resolution which, if adopted, will permit the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to install and operate the proposed conduit beneath the public rights-of-way. The attached resolution will also authorize and direct the Commissioner of Public Works to issue the necessary permits for this installation.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E. City Engineer Mariano A. Schifalacqua Commissioner of Public Works

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