

April 25, 2011

Marcia C. Moermond Legislative Hearing Officer Office of the City Council Legislative Hearings 310 City Hall, 15 West Kellogg Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55102-1615 **VIA FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL**

Re:

Order to Repair 1456 Cohansey Street

Our File No. 51937.1

Dear Ms. Moermond:

You asked that by April 26, 2011, Mr. Bednar provide you with an update on the status of the rehabilitation of his home at 1456 Cohansey Street. Please accept this letter on Mr. Bednar's behalf in lieu of his appearing at the legislative hearing scheduled for tomorrow morning.

Since the last time we were before you, Boehm Heating tested the furnace at the home and signed off that the system operates safely and properly. I enclose a copy of the completed Safety Test Report.

In addition, Bonfe Plumbing has been to the property and completed the following tasks:

- 1. Installed a new water heater with copper lines and removed the old water heater;
- 2. Vented the new water heater into the flue from the furnace;
- 3. Replaced the trap and connections between the wash tubs in the basement to facilitate improved draining;
- 4. Installed a new toilet, with a shut-off valve, on the main floor;
- 5. Repaired the toilet in the downstairs bathroom and added a shut-off valve;
- 6. Installed a new faucet in the kitchen; and

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7. Installed a new sink and faucet in the main floor bathroom.

Bonfe will return to the property later this week to repair, replace, or update the plumbing under the kitchen sink, the shower in the basement, and the faucets for the bath tub on the first floor. Once this work is completed, the home will be ready for restoration of full water services from the City.

Furthermore, with the weather improving, Mr. Bednar is now working on the exterior clean-up. His neighbors have expressed appreciation for those efforts. The neighbors also have indicated that they are anxious to see the City's signage removed from the property, which signage they view as the only remaining eyesore of the property.

If we can answer any questions or provide more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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