



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Rodger Hilger vs. MWRDGC, Case 07 WC 36053, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$190,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Dear Sir:

Rodger Hilger is a retired Pipefitter Maintenance Laborer at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant. On January 26, 2006, he sustained injuries to his lower back while removing a four foot pipe. Mr. Hilger was initially seen at the Industrial clinic on January 26, 2006. He underwent conservative treatment initially of therapy and taking medications. He did not improve and on November 14, 2006, he underwent a surgical procedure. He underwent physical therapy following the procedure, and underwent a second surgical procedure on February 5, 2009. Following that procedure he has undergone several injections and has continued to follow up with the doctor for medical treatment.

Mr. Hilger retired from the District on April 1, 2011. His lost time benefits were paid through September 26, 2010.

Mr. Hilger was paid a total of \$229,746.60, which represents approximately 241.2 weeks of lost time benefits.

Mr. Hilger's attorney filed an Application of Adjustment of Claim with the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission. Subject to the approval of the IWCC, this case can now be settled for \$190,000.00, representing approximately 64.12% loss of person as a whole. This settlement will close out future lost time benefits, as well as any future medical benefits associated with this injury.

The Director of Human Resources believes this settlement is in the best interest of the District and requests payment of that sum be approved and she be authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary to effect the settlement.

Requested, Beverly K. Sanders, Director of Human Resources, BKS:RAJ:RG:sts
Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chairman Committee on Judiciary
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for December 1, 2016