



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 Michael Deal vs. MWRDGC, Claim 11 WC 14889, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$135,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Dear Sir:

Michael Deal is an Electrical Mechanic currently employed at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant. On October 10, 2008, he sustained an injury to his lower back. Mr. Deal was initially seen by the doctor at the industrial medical clinic on October 10, 2008. He was disabled from work initially on October 21, 2008, returning to work on October 27, 2008. Mr. Deal was again disabled on November 4, 2008. He initially treated conservatively with therapy and medication. Mr. Deal underwent several surgical procedures on his lower back. Following these procedures the employee continued to receive additional treatment consisting of physical therapy and medication. He was able to return to work on October 17, 2011. The employee was disabled one final time beginning on May 29, 2012 and returned to work on June 4, 2012.

Mr. Deal was paid a total of \$158,991.27 which represents 155.4 weeks of lost time benefits.

Mr. Deal filed an Application of Adjustment of Claim with the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC) through his counsel. Subject to the approval of the IWCC, this case can now be settled for \$135,000.00, representing approximately 40.618% loss of use of the 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, BKS:RAJ:RG

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 June 1, 2017