



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 2, 2018

#### COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Mr. John P. Murray, Acting Executive Director

Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Shirley Harris vs. MWRDGC, Claim 12 WC 22360, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$25,394.50, Account 901-30000-601090

Dear Sir:

Shirley Harris is a Fireman-Oiler at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant. On February 10, 2012, she sustained injuries to her lower back. Ms. Harris was initially seen in the industrial clinic on February 10, 2012. She was disabled from work effective February 13, 2012. She initially underwent conservative treatment consisting of physical therapy and medication. She eventually underwent an epidural injection. Following an independent medical examination, the employee was released to return to work on June 4, 2012. Following this release, Ms. Harris had additional lost time from work as well as medical treatment, both of which were under dispute.

Some of her lost time off from work as well as medical treatment were placed under dispute based on our independent medical evaluation.

Ms. Harris was paid a total of \$15,372.80 representing 16 weeks of lost time benefits.

Ms. Harris filed an Application of Adjustment of Claim with the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC) through her counsel. Subject to the approval of the IWCC, this case can now be settled for \$25,394.50, representing approximately 5% loss of use of the Person as a Whole plus \$8,000.00 towards disputed medical charges. 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

Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chairman Committee on Judiciary

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