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October 23, 2013

Elizabeth A. Geoghegan Sauk County Treasurer 505 Broadway Baraboo, WI 53913

RE: PARCEL #172-0049-00000

Dear Liz:

The purpose of this letter is to respond to your letter to Village Clerk Niki Conway dated October, 16, 2013 and additional conversations you and I have had in regards to the above reference property located 635/639 Water Street in the Village of Prairie du Sac. The Village understands Sauk County has taken this property on a tax deed for delinquent taxes and is offering the property to the Village for the sum of \$4,703.67.

The Village has spent a considerable amount of enforcement time and effort on this property over the years. In 2008, the Village issued an Order to Raze dilapidated structures located on the property. After several meetings and correspondences with the owner, the buildings were eventually razed. Years prior to the removal of the structures, the Village had to utilize Special Charges against the property to recover delinquent utilities against the property each year. Starting in 2009, the Village had to carryout enforcement efforts against the property for the lack of lawn maintenance by the owner. Because the owner did not respond to the abatement letters (several mailed each year), the Village has had to mow the property an average of three to four times a year over a five year period and levy Special Charges against the property to recover the Village's costs. Currently, there are outstanding warrants for the property owner for her failure to pay municipal court fines totaling. The fines are from citations issued for her not mowing the lawn of the property. It is safe to say the Village has been maintaining this property for the at least five years due to the property owner's failure to do so.

I have been authorized by the Village Board to confirm the Village's intent to purchase this property for the amount of \$4,703.67. The Village would be able to execute payment for the property soon after November 12, 2013.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at 608-643-2421 or e-mail me at awildman@wppienergy.org.

Sincerely,

Village of Prairie du Sac

Alan R. Wildman, II Village Administrator