

RACINE FIRE DEPARTMENT Chief's Office: 262-635-7911

March 28, 2013

Honorable Mayor Common Council

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council:

A communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission to accept \$1,950.71 from CHS Incorporated of Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota, for the acquisition of Emergency Medical Services equipment.

**CHS, Inc.**, is a Fortune 500 business owned by United States agricultural cooperatives, farmers, ranchers and thousands of preferred stock holders; based in suburban St. Paul, Minnesota. It owns and operates various food processing and wholesale, farm supply, **Cenex** brand fuel, financial services and retail businesses and is a coowner of Ventura Foods, a vegetable oil processor.

Over the years, the fire department has purchased Cenex brand gasoline and diesel fuels for use in fire department vehicles prior to the creation of the central fueling depot. The funds being returned to the fire department represents equity in CHS that the fire department earned in past years. Please see the attached letter from CHS, which provides additional details.

The return of equity will be utilized to purchase advance endotracheal intubation equipment for the paramedic rescue squads. This advance endotracheal intubation equipment will allow paramedics in the field to more quickly place breathing tubes in patients who are pulse-less, non-breathers.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief

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