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18 May 1981

Ms. Bea Becker City Clerk-Treasurer P.O. Box 268 Belgrade, Montana 59714

Re: City of Belgrade General Obligation Bonds--Fire Truck--\$99,000

Dear Ms. Becker:

I have reviewed the transcript of the Belgrade bond proceedings relating to the purchase of a fire truck for \$99,000. The transcript reveals certain deficiencies in those proceedings, particularly as to the election and the sale of the bonds. However, the 1981 Legislature recently enacted legislation that validates all bond proceedings and issues undertaken prior to April 6, 1981. Chap. 283, L. Mont. 1981. Therefore, in light of the Bond Validating Act, as extended and revised, it is my opinion that the abovementioned bonds are a valid obligation of the City of Belgrade.

To complete our file, please forward to this office a sample copy of the bonds when issued.

Very truly yours,

MIKE GREELY Attorney General

cc: John Easley / Belgrade City Attorney

> Mark Jarboe Bond Counsel

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the original document and that I have compared the same with the original.

In Witness Whereof, Jhave hereunto set my hand this 19 day of Z/a

Assistant