



June 23, 2004

Mr. Michael Orange
Principal Planner
City of Minneapolis Planning Department
350 5th St S, Room 210
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1385

RE: 520 and 521 2nd Street SE EAW

Dear Michael:

Schafer Richardson has reviewed the Environmental Assessment Worksheet for the 520 and 521 2nd Street projects. We believe the document adequately addresses the impacts of the projects, and that no EIS is required. Although we have not independently verified the information in the EAW, the City has the regulatory format to address and resolve any design and technical issues raised by the proposal. The record created by this EAW will be available to inform and guide all participants. The local approval process and the opportunity for public participation is the best way to identify and encourage a quality redevelopment. This process and its participants will, we believe, assure the evaluation and mitigation of the environmental effects of the proposal.

Michael, please let me know if we can answer any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Frank".

David R. Frank
Project Manager

cc: Steve Minn