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### NOTICE OF CLAIM FORM

ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY  
 295 MAIN STREET - ROOM 350  
 BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14203-2494  
 (716) 849-8465

Claimant(s) Name	Mark Zawadzki		
Address	1749 Abbot + rd. Lackawanna, NY 14218	Cell Phone #	[REDACTED]
Email Address	[REDACTED]	Home Phone #	---

Accident <del>Damage</del> / Injury Location			
Date of Incident	2/6/2022	Time of Incident	a.m. / p.m.
Police Contacted?	Yes / <u>NO</u>	Police Report Taken?	Yes / <u>NO</u>
Name of Police Agency	Fire Department was present		

**PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMS ONLY**

N/A if not applicable

If this is not your property, give the name and address of the owner:

Name			
Address		Zip Code	
Home Phone #		Work Phone #	

**PLEASE ATTACH ESTIMATES**

Repair Estimates	\$ Please see attached	\$
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**PROPERTY DAMAGE AND PERSONAL INJURY WITNESSES**

Name	Steve Sabuda Jr.	Name	Adam Zawadzki
Address	51 Orchard Place Lackawanna, NY 14218	Address	191 Longner Rd. West Seneca, NY 14224
Phone	[REDACTED]	Phone	[REDACTED]

Attach copies of Medical bills once submitted to health insurance or automobile insurance.

**ONLY PROVIDE COPIES OF THE MEDICAL BILLS. DO NOT PROVIDE MEDICAL RECORDS WITH THIS CLAIM FORM.**

Claimant's Statement: 1749 Abbott Road Lackawanna

On Sunday morning I woke up at 7 am to my phone ringing from my neighbor crying about the water in her basement. At that time, I heard my sump pump gurgling and then found two feet of water in my basement. When investigating the cause of the water I notice the Lackawanna fire department outside my home. I then walked outside to one to two inches of mud covering my driveway and flowing into my garage. I notice a crater in my front yard. At that point I spoke with Ben Barber, who informed me that a 24-inch main had blown as the line froze from the extremely low temperatures. I then spoke to an employee from the Lackawanna Sewer Authority who also informed me that this water line break had also destroyed the sewer lines.

I then went to my three garages and found they were also submerged in water, mud, sewage and beginning to freeze with the wind chill and single digit temperatures.

I continued back to my basement to begin and immediately set up a second sump pump to aid the water removal. I also removed items that possibly could be saved. After the water was at a safe level to evaluate the base further, I noticed by boiler/hot water tank was not functioning. I then had to go to Home Depot to purchase a heater to heat my home as well as garbage bags and new dehumidifier/air mover to begin drying the basement.

The water had frozen my garage door to the ground. I was able to go in the other garage door to get in and disconnect the opener, but the opener was now burnt out. The water pressure from the water main break damaged the front of the garage door and freezing the door had done a great deal of damage to the door also.

During the following week I had to take off work, using my personal vacation time, to dry and haul the mud out of my basement. I continued to scrape mud out of my garages and off of my driveway and repairing the lawn. Because of the below freezing temperatures, many items on my list were damaged by the freezing water and being covered in mud and sewage. There was not the option of using my hose to wash items as per the weather.

If you need any further explanation of the damages, I have listed feel free to contact me. 716 523-2251

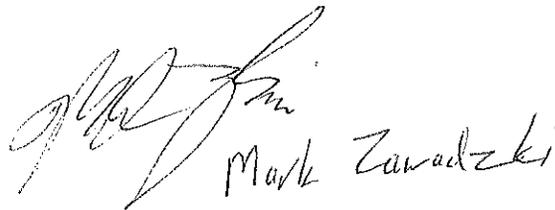
COUNTY OF        Erie       

On the       9       day of       MARCH       2022 before me

personally appeared       Mark Zawadzki      , known to me to be the same person described in and who executed the within instrument and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

Notary Public

Printed Name:       PATRICE LYN GRIFFIN      



My Commission Expires:  
      6/26/25      

PATRICE LYN GRIFFIN  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 01GR6360962  
Qualified in Erie County  
Commission Expires June 26, 2025