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RESIDENTIAL NOTIFICATION

Localized Sewer Smoke Testing to begin January 16th

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The City of Marceline in conjunction with Missouri Rural Water Association will be conducting sanitary sewer leak detection starting on Tuesday, January 16th subject to weather conditions. The City block areas that could potentially be affected are:

- 100-400 W. Ira
- 1400-1500 N. College
- 700-900 E. Ridgecrest
- 800-900 E. Maple
- 100-400 W. Bigger
- 1400-1600 N. Church
- 700-900 E. Ash
- 800-900 N. Oak
- 100-200 W. Dowden
- 1400-1600 N. Cannon
- 800-900 N. Cottonwood

The leak testing in the sanitary sewer system is done by forcing smoke into the sewer lines. This smoke will reveal sources of sewer odors in your neighborhood as well as the locations where storm water and other sources of surface water are entering the sanitary sewer systems.

A special non-toxic smoke will be used in these tests. This smoke is manufactured for this purpose, leaves no residuals, or stains and has no effects on plant and or animal life. The smoke has a distinctive, but not unpleasant odor. The visibility and odor from the smoke only last a few minutes where there is adequate ventilation.

Because the plumbing appliances in your home or building are connected to the sanitary sewer system, some of this smoke may enter your home if one of the following exists:

1. The vents that are connected to your building's sewer pipes are inadequate, defective, or improperly installed.
2. The traps, under sinks, tubs, basins, showers, or other drains are dry, defective, improperly installed, or missing.
3. The pipes, connections and seals of the wastewater drains in or under your building are damaged, defective, have missing plugs, or are improperly installed.

All residents are advised that if traces of this smoke or the odor enter the building, it is an indication that sewer gases and odors may also enter the home or building. These can be both unpleasant dangerous as well as a health hazard to the occupants. The correcting of these problems should be done in an urgent manner. If this does occur, please feel free to contact one of the City of Marceline personnel who will be walking around the area in yellow shirts or call 660-734-1385.

While the City of Marceline will render all possible cooperation, the correction of these defects on private property is the responsibility of the property owner. The services of a professional plumber may be required.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Matt Gibson @ 660-734-1385