

**SPECIAL NOTICE**

To better serve you, your utility will be smoke testing its sewers. This is done periodically to locate sources of sewer odors, leaks and breaks in sewer lines. The smoke testing will occur sometime during the following dates: \_\_\_\_\_ between the hours of 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

The type of smoke used is harmless, white to yellowish-white in color, and may have a slight odor. It is harmless to plants and animals. If the smoke gets into your house, please ventilate your house. On the outside of your house or your neighbor's house you may notice smoke coming from:

- sewer vents
- gutters and downspouts
- out of the ground along sewer lines

On the inside of your house, smoke or its odor may come out of the plumbing or fixtures. This is an indication that dangerous gases and unpleasant odors from the sewer may enter your house. This should not happen if your plumbing is in good working order. You can minimize the chances of this happening by running enough water into the sinks, tubs, and showers to fill the sewer trap with water. Do not forget floor drains. Location, identification and correction of the source of smoke entering your house or building is urgently advised. The correction of any defects in the pipes and sewer on private property is the responsibility of the property owner. If you detect smoke in your house and are uncertain about the cause, contact:

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METROPOLITAN SEWER DISTRICT  
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