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## Dear Property Owner:

This letter will serve to remind all property owners who have a Grinder Pump for sanitary sewer discharge into the sewer system a few good practices to insure that your pumps function properly.

Limiting discharge into the system to organic waste will insure proper operation of the grinder pump.

Do not discharge grease into the system, via directly or indirectly. Direct would be disposing of cooking oils and fat into the sink drain or toilet and indirectly would be the washing of food/rinsing of cooking utensils. The wiping of cookware and utensils with a paper towel prior to rinsing or washing will reduce the discharge of oil and grease into the grinder pump. The buildup of grease on the floats that operate the pump does occur and will cause a failure.

Do not flush any sanitary napkins, dispensers or wet wipes down the toilet. These materials will clog the grinder pump and cause damage.

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