



# CITY OF NEWBURGH

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Re: Notification of Smoke Testing

Dear Resident of Grand Street,

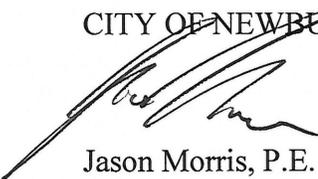
This letter is to inform you that the City of Newburgh (City) will perform smoke testing of the sanitary sewer main along the 200 Block of Grand Street on Monday, March 10, 2014. The testing is expected to occur between the hours of 10AM to 3PM. The test will be conducted by the City's engineer Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. During the testing smoke will be blown into the sewer at sanitary sewer manholes. The smoke will travel through the sewer and become released at any holes or openings in the sewer system. Since the sewer transports both stormwater and sewage, it is suspected that stormdrains and roof leaders connect into the sewer. It is expected that smoke will be released from these locations. This work is being done to determine the location of and how many stormdrains connect to the existing sewer.

This testing procedure is a commonly used to locate stormdrains which connect to sewers. The smoke itself is safe and will not harm persons or the property. Testing has shown that the smoke contains no levels of harmful chemicals, but the sewer gases being transported with the smoke may be dangerous. Although it is not likely to occur, if smoke is detected inside your property we ask that you please evacuate your property until the completion of the test. Testing of the smoke has also shown that it does not stain or leave a residue. In the event that the smoke enters your property, your furniture or drapery will not be harmed by the smoke.

We appreciate your cooperation during this procedure.

Very Truly Yours,

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