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SEWER WORK NOTICE
Building Inspection & Dyed-Water Testing

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Dear Property Owner/Resident,

In January 2000, the Town received a Notice of Noncompliance (NON) from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for high levels of contamination at various storm water outfalls. Upon receiving the NON, Belmont launched extensive investigations to determine the source(s) of contamination, resulting in two sewer and storm drain rehabilitation contracts (2004 and 2006). Rehabilitation work performed to date has significantly reduced the levels of contamination, but not eliminated it. In July 2007, the DEP issued a second NON requiring additional investigations be conducted.

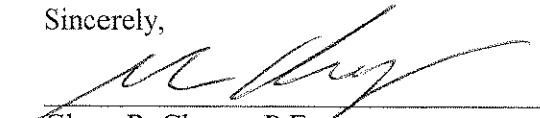
The Town of Belmont has contracted the engineering firm of Fay, Spofford & Thorndike (FST) to perform building plumbing inspections and dyed-water testing in selected neighborhoods. Dyed-water testing involves pouring dyed water into a toilet or sink. The dyed water flows through the piping to the street where it can be observed from an opened manhole. The dye is non-toxic and not permanent and will not cause any damage to your property. The investigation takes approximately 30 minutes to complete and will not impact your property in any way.

Technicians **will need** to enter your home. The Belmont Police Department has been notified and has conducted appropriate security checks on the technicians performing the work. The technicians are carrying appropriate picture identification for your security. **Please ask to see their identification before allowing them to enter your home.**

Inspections will be conducted Monday through Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. or upon your request of a scheduled appointment.

This work is required even if your home has been previously inspected and/or dyed-water tested. The Town thanks you for your continued cooperation in order that meaningful and useful data regarding the Town's sewer system be obtained. If you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment please contact Ara Yogurtian at the Office of Community Development at (617) 993-2657. Additional information is available online at the Office of Community Development website at www.town.belmont.ma.us.

Sincerely,


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