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# ADVANCE NOTICE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**To: Property Owners/Tenants**

**Re: Odors related to Cured-In-Place-Pipe (CIPP) relining**

Dear Property Owners or Tenants :

The City of Burlington has contracted with Green Mountain Pipeline, Inc to rehabilitate storm water pipes in your neighborhood with CIPP (Cured In Place Pipe) technology. This technology involves the use of a plastic resin, which contains styrene, to cure the felt liner. You may smell these styrene fumes while the City contractor personnel are working in your area. The odor is often described as similar to a plastic or glue-like smell. Generally, these odors are confined to the vicinity of the construction area and sewer and dissipate quickly, however there is a potential that that you may notice them inside your home or apartment.

Styrene odors can be detected by humans at a significantly lower concentration (0.016ppm to 0.32 ppm) than what is considered to be a human health concern (50 ppm – National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Recommended Exposure Limit for up to a 10 hour work day during a 40 hour work week; 100ppm Occupational Safety and Health Administration Permissible Exposure Limit).

**Preventative Measures:** These styrene odors are most likely to enter a home due to dry or non-existent traps on the private sewer lateral. In most cases, any odors can be minimized by pouring several gallons of water down your sinks, showers, toilets, etc; and by opening your windows. If the odors persist, it is highly likely that it is a result of damaged or faulty plumbing in your residence.

If you experience overwhelming odors inside your home, please contact the On Site Supervisor, who will be available to investigate. If you are not able to reach the On-Site Supervisor, please contact the Project Manager.

For more information regarding the CIPP technology, please see our fact sheet here:  
[www.burlingtonvt.gov/CIPPfactsheet](http://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CIPPfactsheet)

Thank you for your cooperation and patience with this project.