



CITY OF DERBY, CONNECTICUT HOUSE/BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM

Dear Resident:

The City of Derby Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) will be conducting building inspections as part of continuing efforts to ensure adequate, safe, reliable and economical sanitary sewer service to the community. Under certain wet weather conditions, large amounts of clean rainwater and groundwater enter into the sanitary sewer system. This water enters the sanitary sewer system either by seeping through defects in the sewer pipes or by direct connections. The high additional cost of pumping this extra water and treating it at the wastewater treatment plants is borne by you, the ratepayer. During extreme rainstorm events, this extra water entering the sewer system can cause sewage backups into basements and overflows from sanitary sewer system releasing raw sewage into our local waterways.

In an effort to correct this problem, we have begun a house/building inspection program to locate possible sources of this extra flow. Inspection of your property will take approximately 10-15 minutes, and will consist of you answering a few simple questions and allowing the inspection team to inspect the interior plumbing in your basement and the exterior areas of your building. We encourage you to make an appointment during our inspection hours for your convenience, however we require an individual over the age of 18 to present.

Beginning on **June 2, 2014** and continuing throughout the summer, inspections will be conducted in Derby by two-person teams from **Weston & Sampson. The inspection teams will have photo identification and business cards.** Please allow this team access to your building for this brief inspection. If you own a dog, we ask that you restrain the dog while the inspection is performed for the safety of the inspectors.

A copy of the regulations and further information on this program are provided at the WPCA's website: <http://electronicvalley.org/derby/govern/WPCA/WPCA.htm> or can be viewed at the WPCA Office at 1 Caroline Street.

**If you would like to schedule an appointment, inspection hours are approximately
Monday - Saturday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm**

**To schedule an appointment or to ask a question, please call
Weston & Sampson's Derby Infiltration/Inflow Information line at
1-800-SAMPSON, extension 3017**

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**THE CITY OF DERBY
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**