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DATE: 01/25/2010
SUBJECT: Sanitary Sewer Overflow at 43rd Ave East
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Sanitary Sewer Overflow

An accumulation of roots and grease in a sanitary sewer line caused a sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) at a manhole located at 43rd Ave E. and London Road. A Utility Operation's crew responded to the call and was able to clear the blockage immediately

The confirmed overflow occurred as follows:

Sewer System Component	Address	Start	End
Sanitary sewer line manhole overflow	43 rd Ave E & London Road	Date: 01/25/10 Time: 12:00 PM	Date: 01/25/10 Time: 1:17 PM

Overflow volume totaled approximately 385 gallons. The State Duty Officer was notified immediately.

Residents should avoid contact with any sewer overflow due to the potential for exposure to disease-causing organisms. Residents are also asked to report any overflow from a manhole. Storm sewers and sanitary sewers may lift and move manhole covers creating a dangerous fall hazard when the overflow ceases. Contact the City of Duluth at 723-3333, 24 hours per day to report overflowing manholes or any open manhole.

For additional information, contact Acting Utility Operations Manager, Loren McLeod at (218) 730-4881.