

### **3-Day Advanced Notice for Electrosan Inspection**

As part of the Portsmouth Sewershed Inflow & Infiltration Reduction Program, an inspection that determines the water leakage potential of the sewers, called ***Electrosan***, is being performed by D.M. Robichaud Associates Ltd ('No Dig') and Civica.

Electrosan inspections are carried out by two work crews; i) a flusher truck, which provides water to the sensor, and ii) an Electrosan crew, which pulls a special sensor from maintenance hole to maintenance hole just behind the flusher. This type of inspection is used to determine the leak potential of the sewer collection system.

If you have received this notice then there will be Electrosan work beginning in your area within the next few days and lasting no more than a couple of weeks. This work is intended to be completed by mid-November.

The work will not affect the majority of homeowners or cause any disruption to service, but, there is a small chance that small spills, noise and odours may result. Here's why: The system uses a high-pressure water jet to surround and propel the probe. When the jet passes by your home's connection to the sewer, it creates a pressure wave. This pressure wave has the ability to push-out, or pull-in the water and air held inside your plumbing and U-shaped traps and this includes your toilets, showers, sinks and floor drains. In most cases, nothing happens, but sometimes it does.

As a precaution, or if your house has been effected by sewer flushing work before, we advise you to; i) keep your toilet lids closed during times when they are not being used, and ii) flush after every use. Also, to prevent odours, it is advisable to pour 2 litres of water into infrequently used plumbing fixtures to ensure the trap is full, ideally before AND after the work takes place. If water appears to be spilled around your toilet or floor drain, please accept our apologies as we perform this important sewer maintenance work. This water can simply be wiped up - it was just the water that was stored in the trap.

**In the event of an EMERGENCY or SEWAGE SPILL that you feel may be related to this work, your first point of contact should be:**

**Contractor's Project Coordinator, Kyle Robichaud at 1-877-RELINED.**

Alternatively, contact Utilities Kingston's Inspector, Jeff Rogers at (613) 929-3756 or Utilities Kingston Customer Service directly at (613) 546-1181.