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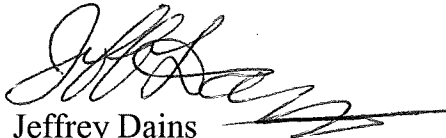
April 4, 2012

Heather Butkowski  
Lauderdale City Clerk – Administrator  
1891 Walnut Street  
Lauderdale, MN 55113

Dear Administrator Butkowski,

In order to discuss the sewer line blockage by Twin City Die Casting this weekend and authorize cleanup of the event, I am calling a special meeting of the City Council to be held at Lauderdale City Hall at 9:00 p.m. on April 4, 2012. Please inform the other City Council members of this meeting.

Thank you,

  
Jeffrey Dains  
Lauderdale Mayor

**MINNESOTA DUTY OFFICER**

Bureau of Criminal Apprehension Operations Center

Report #: 125238

Report Date: 4/2/2012

Report Time: 7:47

DO#: 33

**CALLER INFORMATION**

Contact: Dave Henrichs

Company: City of Lauderdale

Address: 1891 Walnut Street

City: Lauderdale

State: MN Zip: 55113-

Phone: (651) 792-7661 Ext:

Alt phone:

Ext:

**FILE**

Have local police and/or fire been notified?

**NARRATIVE**

Friday night at 8:00 pm, sewer back up behind 1070 33rd Ave SE, 15" line, 80% of the city volume through that line. This is a drop manhole that is not accessible. It is between railroad tracks and a building. Twin City Die Casting built a building over the city line. The manhole problem is difficult to access. Have to get over RR tracks. No road access. It took a long time to get blockage resolved. The sewage ran across 33rd into RR track right of way by Hawkins Chemical. Dave received a message this morning from Steve Littenberg, 612-617-8694, Hawkins Chemical safety person, that they will have someone come out and clean it up. Dave believes it was taken care of over the weekend. There was about a 1000 gallons of sewage. It also backed up into Twin City Die and it ran out through the open door across 33rd into the RR right of way. Joe Hughes; city employee, worked on it through the night Joe Hughes. His contact number is the same as Dave's. There was a significant amount of root blockage in manhole.

Refer to DO report # 125215

**INCIDENT REPORT: WASTEWATER FACILITY BYPASS**

Facility Permit #:

County: RAMSEY

Date bypass began: 3/30/2012

Time Bypass began: 8:00

Ongoing? No

Expected duration of bypass:

Amount or rate of flow: 1000 gallons

Overflow or pumped bypass? Overflow

Degree of treatment provided? None

Receiving waters: none

Downstream users within 25 miles:

Any fish kills reported?

Any basement backups reported? Unknown

Is any assistance requested from MPCA or any other state agencies? No

Is any state agency responding or being requested for assistance? No

Sup. report #: 13847 DO #: 33 Sup. report date: 4/2/2012 Sup. report time: 13:33

**Supplemental narrative:**

Heather Butkowski, City Administrator, 651-792-7657, looking for assistance and advice regarding the clean up.

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**ANY QUESTIONS - PLEASE CONTACT THE MN DUTY OFFICER AT 651-649-5451 or 800-422-0798**

## **Heather Butkowski**

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**From:** Gulsvig, Adam (MPCA) <adam.gulsvig@state.mn.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 04, 2012 2:42 PM  
**To:** Heather Butkowski  
**Subject:** Sewage Overflow Response

Heather,

I am emailing to notify you that I would like to take some time to speak with you regarding the City of Lauderdale's response to the sewage backup this past weekend at the Twin City Die Cast, Inc and Hawkins, Inc facilities.

MPCA staff visited both facilities this morning and also viewed the sewage discharge area. From the evidence gathered today it is the Agency's view that the City of Lauderdale has not responded to the overflow and subsequent cleanup in an appropriate manner. Please give me a call ASAP so we can discuss this matter. Thank you.

**Adam Gulsvig**  
**Pollution Control Specialist**  
**Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)**  
**Water Quality Compliance and Enforcement Unit**  
**Phone: 651-757-2179**

## Heather Butkowski

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**From:** Gulsvig, Adam (MPCA) <adam.gulsvig@state.mn.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 04, 2012 4:06 PM  
**To:** Heather Butkowski  
**Subject:** Sewage Overflow Response

Heather,

I would like to stress once again how important it is the City of Lauderdale properly clean up the sewage spill. The MPCA expects an immediate response to the issue. Nonetheless, please feel free to call or email with any questions regarding the cleanup process or anything else. I will help any way I can. Thank you once again for your attention to this matter. We will be in touch soon.

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Mike Burton  
Twin City Die Casting  
1070 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SE  
Lauderdale, MN 55414

Dear Mike,

As mentioned when we spoke earlier, the City hired Veit to clean up elements left from the sewer line blockage this weekend in and around Twin City Die Casting (TCDC). They plan to clean up behind the building tomorrow (Thursday) and clean up in the front of the building on Friday. They expect to have crews on-site around 7:00 a.m. tomorrow morning.

The Veit crew plans to bring equipment to the back of the building from the south side. They will remove a couple of inches of soil (and vegetation that is in the way) and haul it past your patio area. They expect to haul in some rock to create a more even surface back there. After the fact, they will bring in fill to the area.

As we also discussed, Veit will clean the area you refer to as the "bone yard" on Friday. They will also clean in the parking lot area as warranted. We kindly ask that you have the items stored in the area between the buildings moved by the time they arrive on Friday and provide them access.

I have provided space below for you to acknowledge this and allow the City to enter TCDC's property to follow through on this plan. My understanding is that you are signing this with authorization from Greg Hanson, President of Twin City Die Casting.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this arrangement, please let me know as soon as possible at 612.205.1208. Please fax your authorization to 651.631.2066 or send by email to [heather.butkowski@ci.lauderdale.mn.us](mailto:heather.butkowski@ci.lauderdale.mn.us).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Heather Butkowski  
City Administrator

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Please provide your signature below:

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Mike Burton, TCDC Corporate Facility Manager

Date

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Steve Lichtenberg  
Hawkins, Inc.  
3100 E. Hennepin Avenue  
Minneapolis, MN 55413

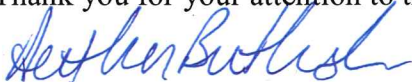
Dear Steve,

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We request your permission to allow Veit crews and city staff on Hawkins Chemical property to resolve outstanding issues. I have provided space below for your authorizing agent to acknowledge this.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this arrangement, please let me know as soon as possible at 612.205.1208. Please fax your authorization to 651.631.2066 or send by email to [heather.butkowski@ci.lauderdale.mn.us](mailto:heather.butkowski@ci.lauderdale.mn.us).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.



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Please provide your signature below:

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Authorized Party

Title

Date