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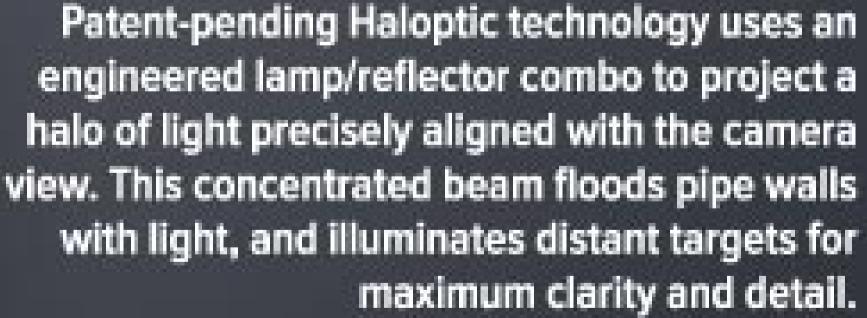


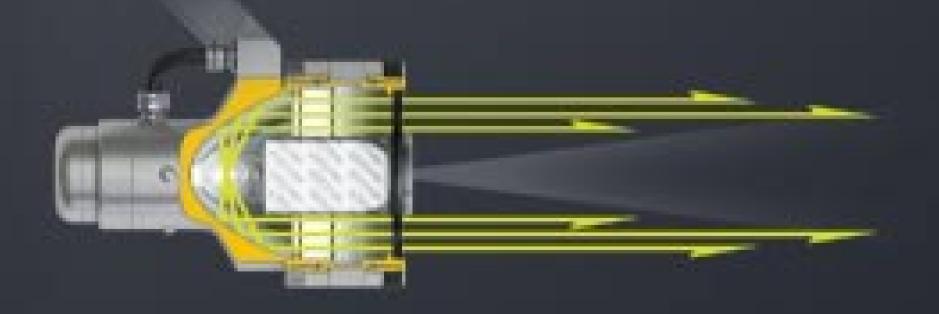


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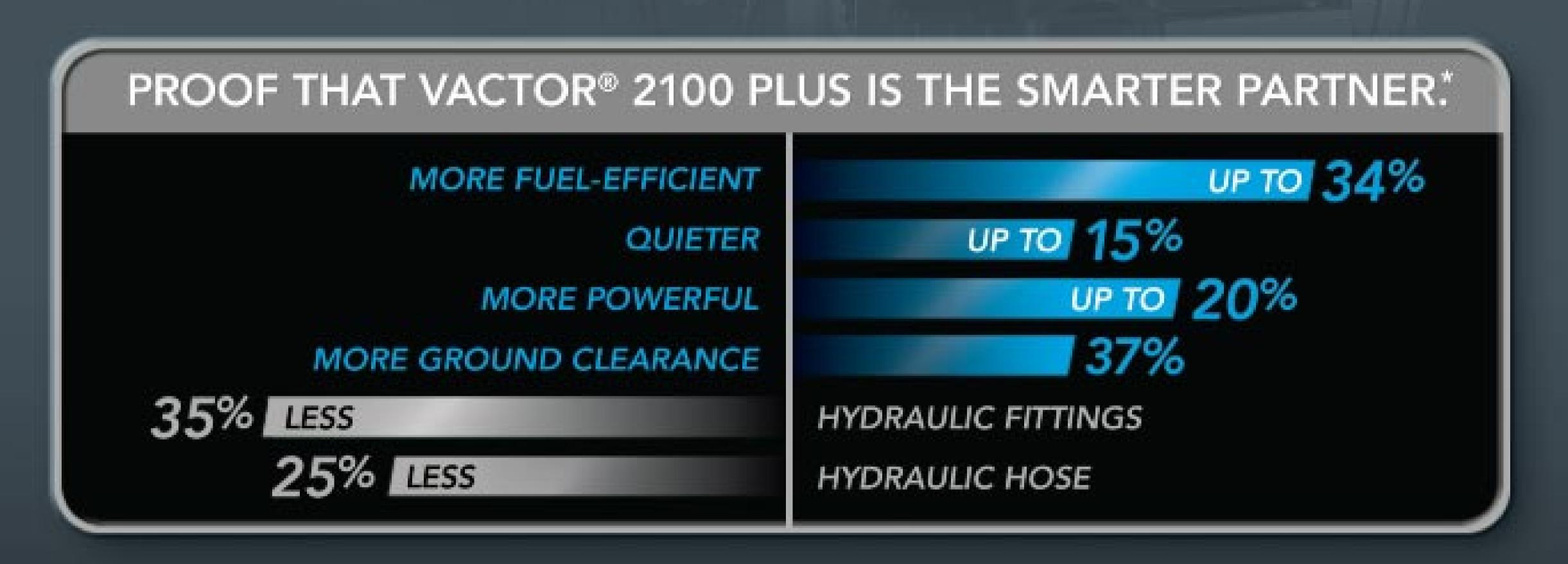




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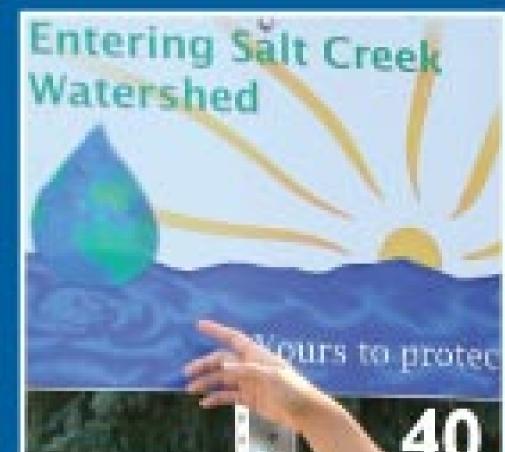
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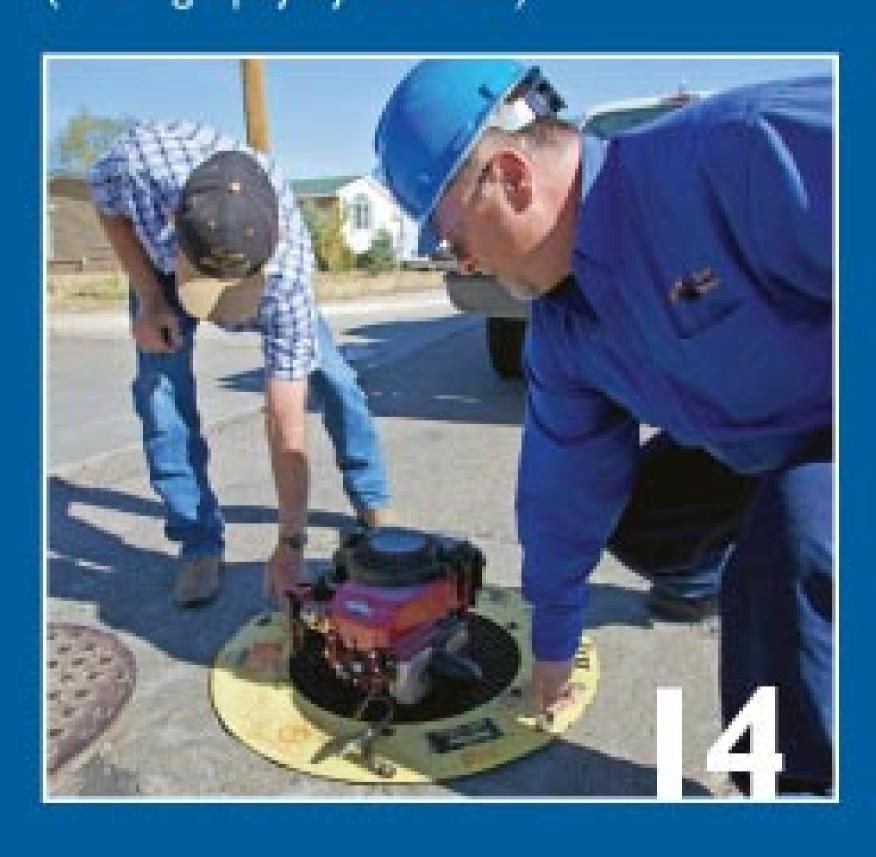






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The Wyoming Association of Rural Water Systems (WARWS) delivers training and technical assistance to some 550 small water and wastewater systems across 97,000 square miles of the state. Here, Dave Andrews, public works director in Glenrock (left) and Mark Court, registered wastewater trainer for WARWS, place a Hurco smoke-testing unit over a manhole. (Photography by Ken Ball)



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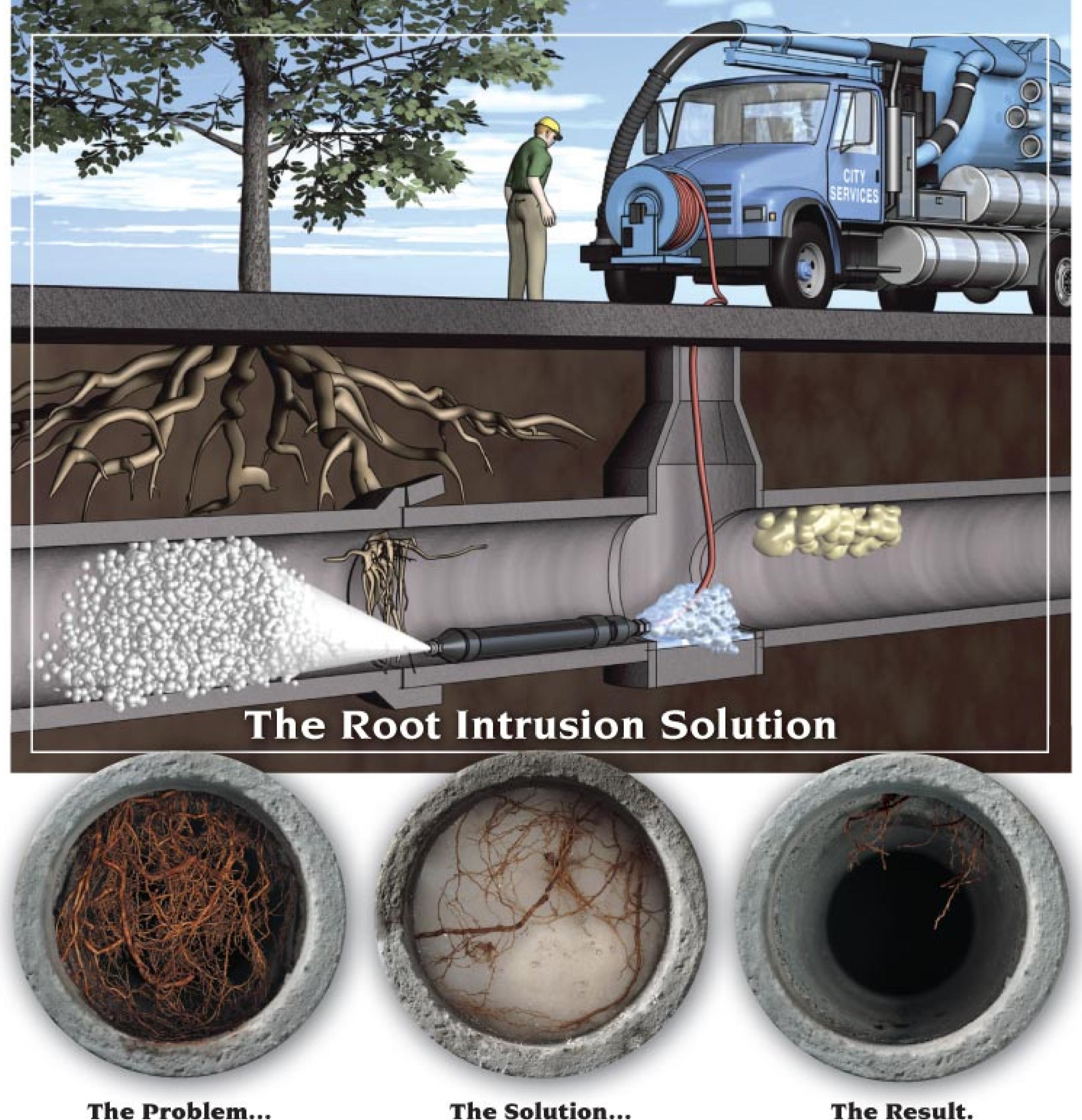
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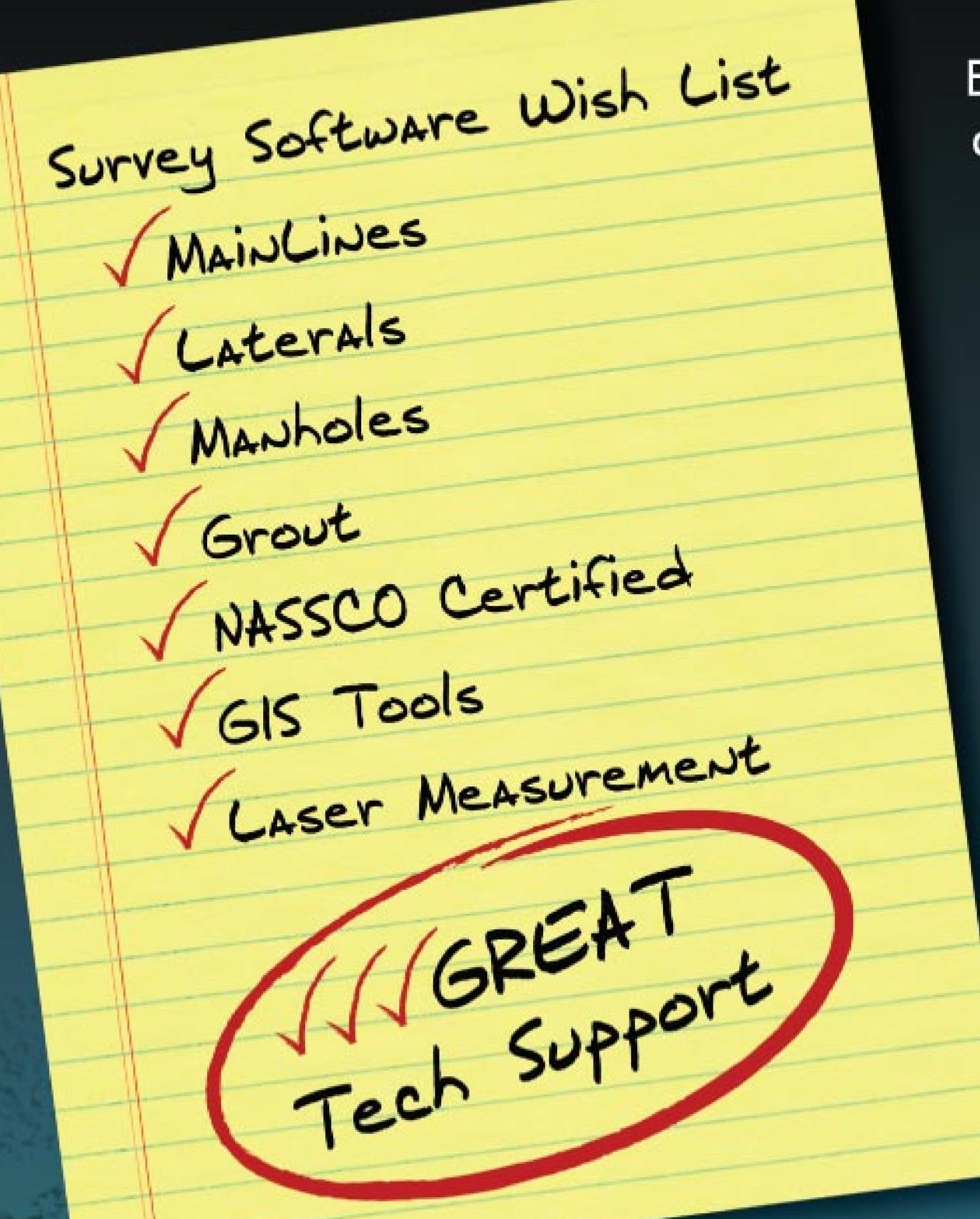


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#### IT'S BASIC ARITHMETIC

Solving our federal, state and local taxing and spending dilemma is really a simple matter. That's not the same as saying it's easy.

s I write this, the President's debt commission has just issued its preliminary report on the spending cuts and tax increases it recommends to fix the country's fiscal problems. Right away, critics from all sides pounced.

A union leader claimed it unfairly targeted working people and the middle class. A conservative leader warned that supporting it would violate some politicians' pledges never to raise taxes.

So this is what it comes down to: Everyone knows that deficit spending and debt are a serious threat to the nation's future. But everyone expects the problem to be solved without pain, or with pain only to someone other than themselves. Similar issues exist at the state and local levels, where budgets are in deficit, or where services have to be cut to keep budgets balanced.

The reality is that the solution to this problem is very simple, and everyone who runs a household or manages a public budget knows what it is: For every dollar spent, a dollar must be raised. Plain old arithmetic. If you want it, you have to raise the money to pay for it. If you can't raise it, you can't have it. Or if you borrow for it, you need to have a plan to pay it back.

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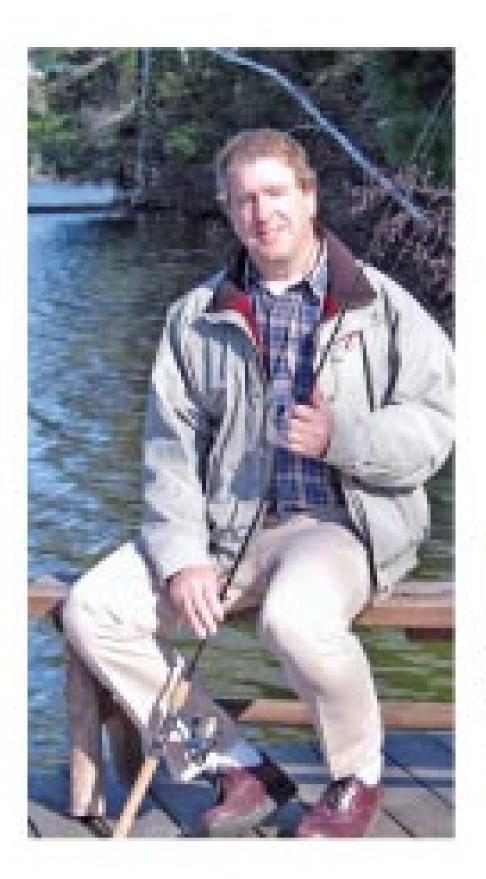
Saying all that is not the same as saying that solving the problem is easy. Neither is it the same as saying "Live within your means." Because sometimes the means at hand simply are not enough, and more means need to be provided.

The trouble is that somewhere along the line the connection between "want/need" and "pay for" got broken, at least at the federal level. In recent times alone we've funded everything from wars, to a Medicare drug plan, to hurricane relief without so much as a discussion of where the money would come from. Then the recession reduced tax revenue and revealed just how bankrupt — literally — our approach had been.

Complicating things further is the assertion, taken as Gospel in some circles, that "taxes are too high" and can never be raised. So if we are to balance the budget, we can only do it by cutting spending.

The trouble is that, at local levels at least, budgets have always been lean. So cutting spending means laying off teachers, police officers and firefighters, letting roads decay, cutting library hours, and so on.

> Even at the national level, most people greatly overestimate the amount of "fraud, waste and corruption" in the budget. So cutting spending in a significant way means reducing medical assistance for low-income people and the elderly, cutting Social Security benefits, closing military bases on which some entire communities depend, and



#### FROM THE EDITOR

Ted J. Rulseh

cancelling defense equipment programs that employ thousands.

Maybe we'll end up doing things like that at all levels. Maybe we'll have to. But first it would be better to have a discussion of what services we want, versus what we're willing to pay.

That's a lot tougher (and plays less well on TV news and YouTube videos) than screaming, "No new taxes!" or "Soak the rich!" or "Keep your hands off my Medicare!" But it's also necessary — what alternative do we have?

#### The 'equals' sign

We seem to live in a fantasy world where we can cut government spending as much as we want and never feel any impact. The real world is different. Cutting spending affects real peo-

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ple and real physical assets — whether or not each one of us feels the effects personally.

A simple but powerful symbol in mathematics is the "equals" sign. It's like the pivot point of a balance scale. You can do anything you want to an equation: As long as you do the same thing to both sides, the scale will stay in balance. Where taxing and spending are concerned, we've forgotten the meaning of the "equals" sign.

We might as well get used to the idea that there's no easy way to make the equation ring true again. The concept is simple: A must always equal B. Getting there will be hard. If we all just dig in our heels and rail against any tax increases, and any cuts in spending, then we're going to slide slowly (or maybe not so slowly) into an abyss.

At some point, cooler heads and the laws of arithmetic must prevail. \*

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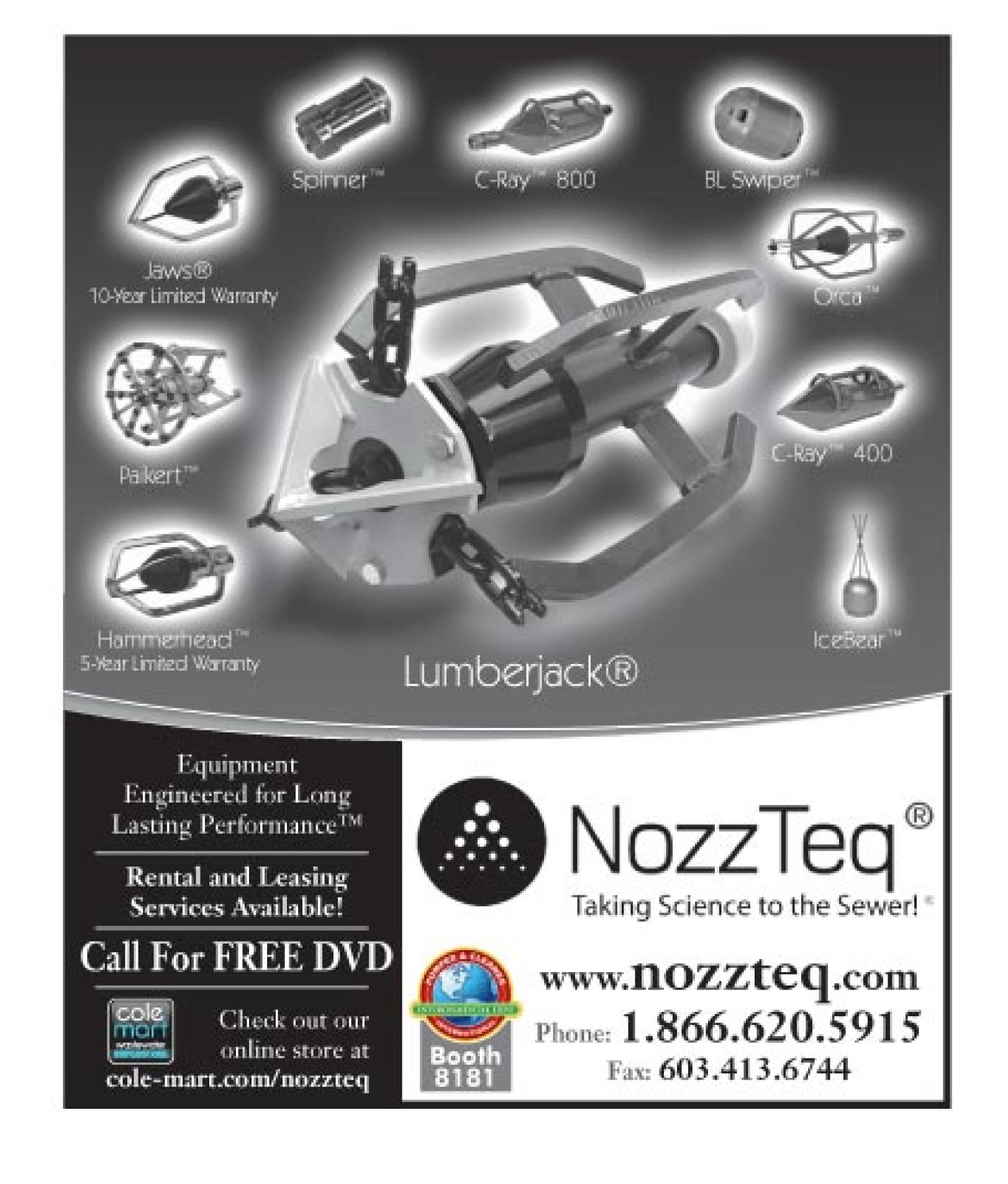
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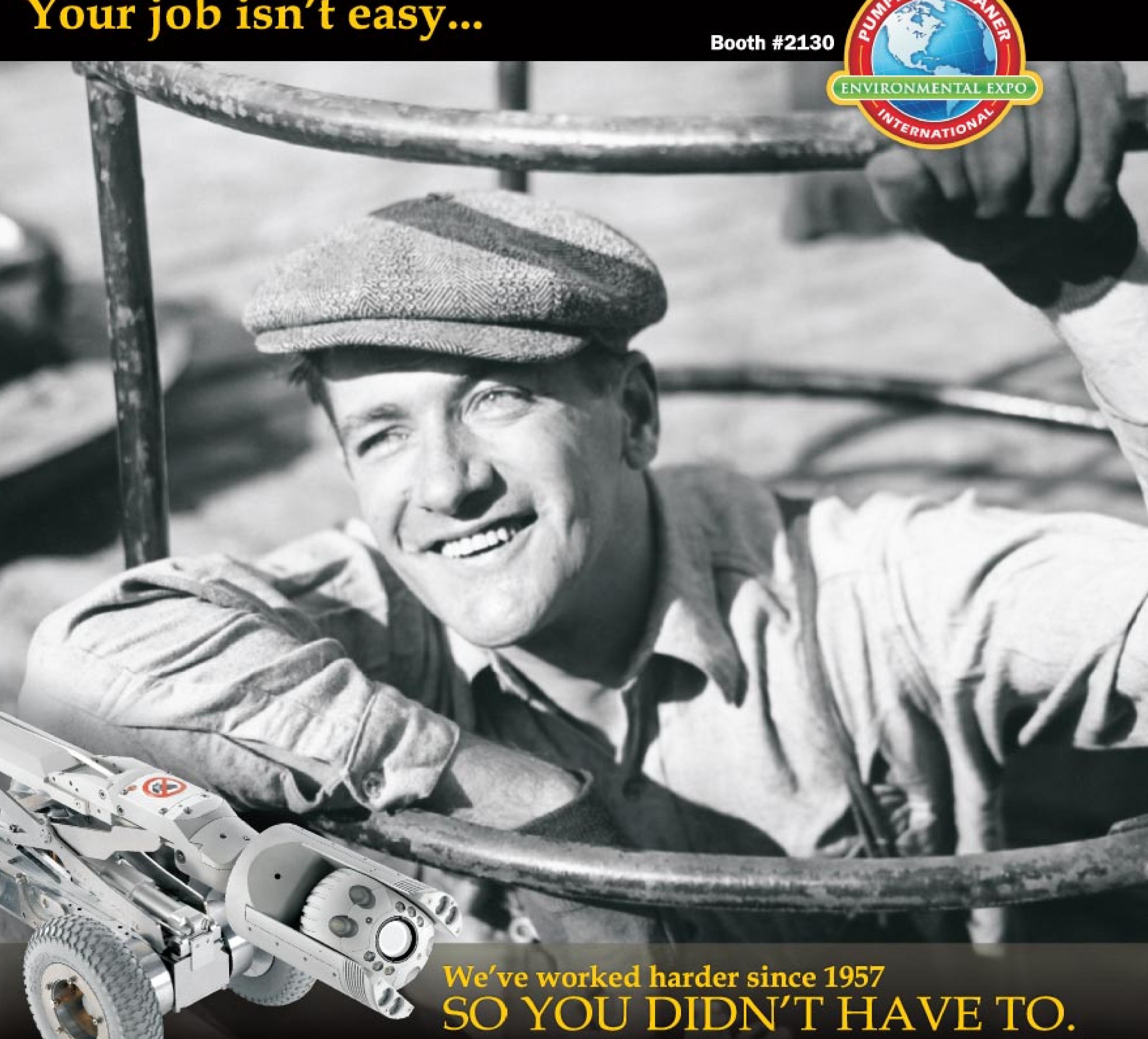
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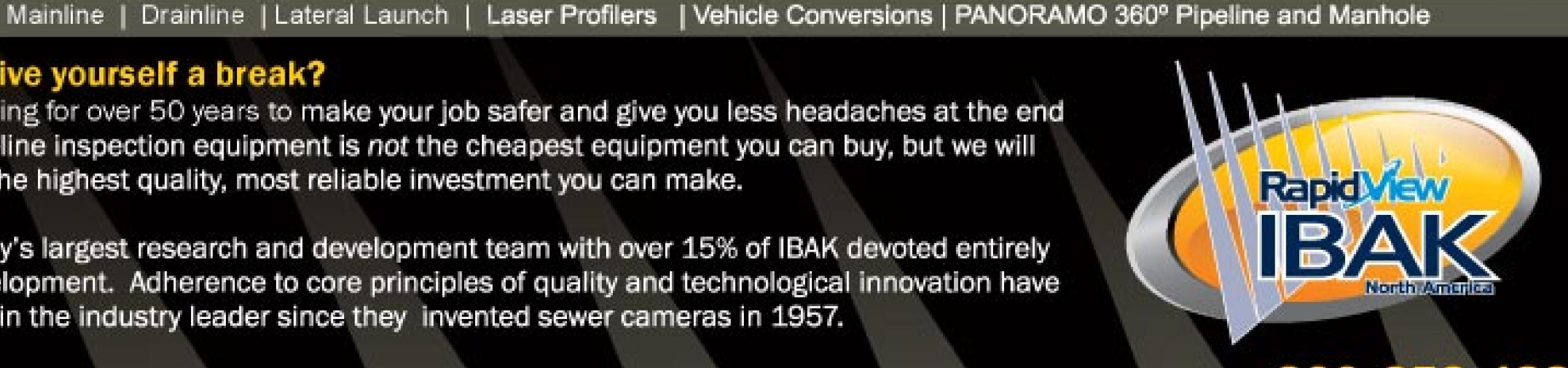


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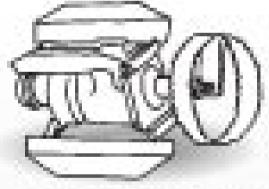
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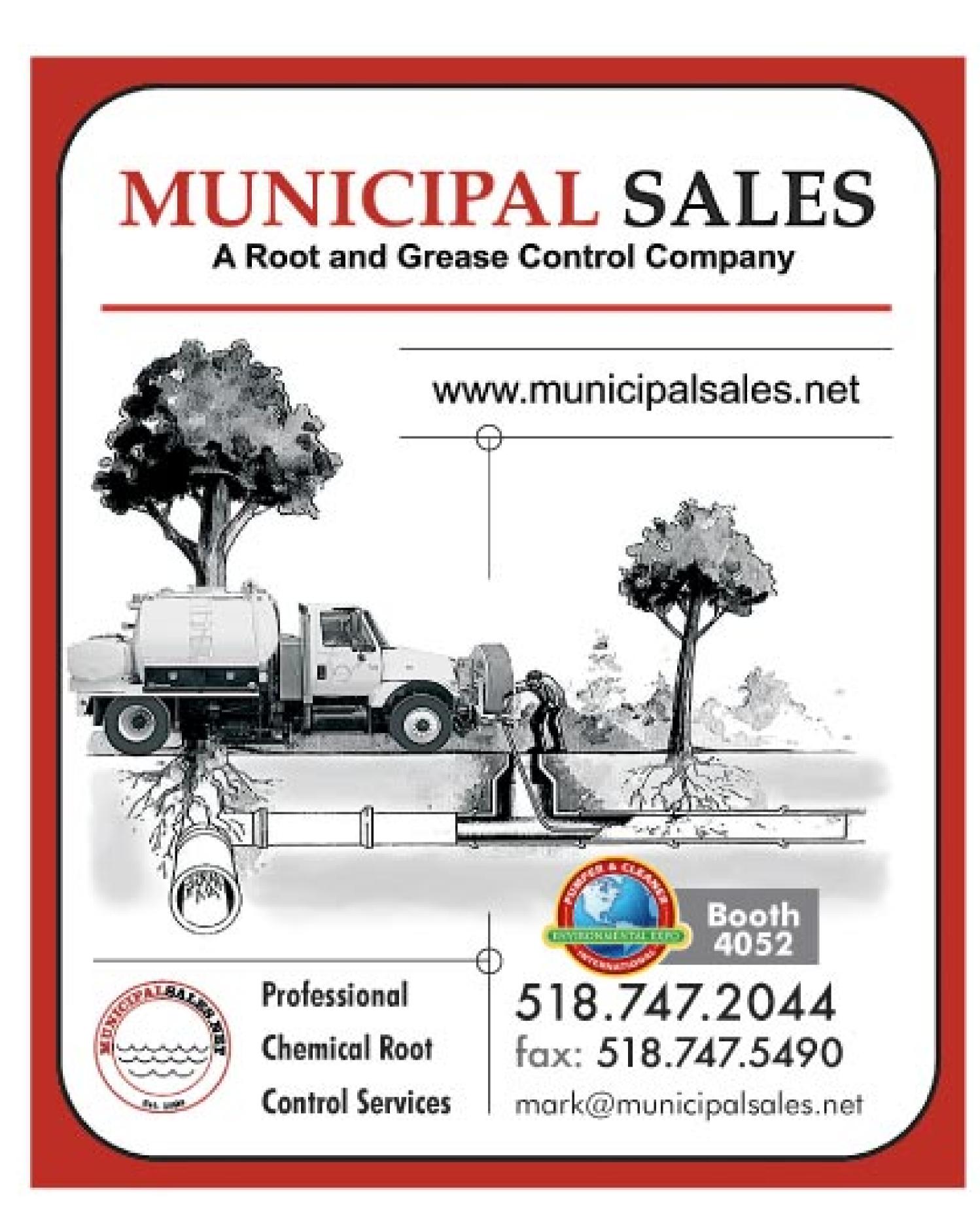
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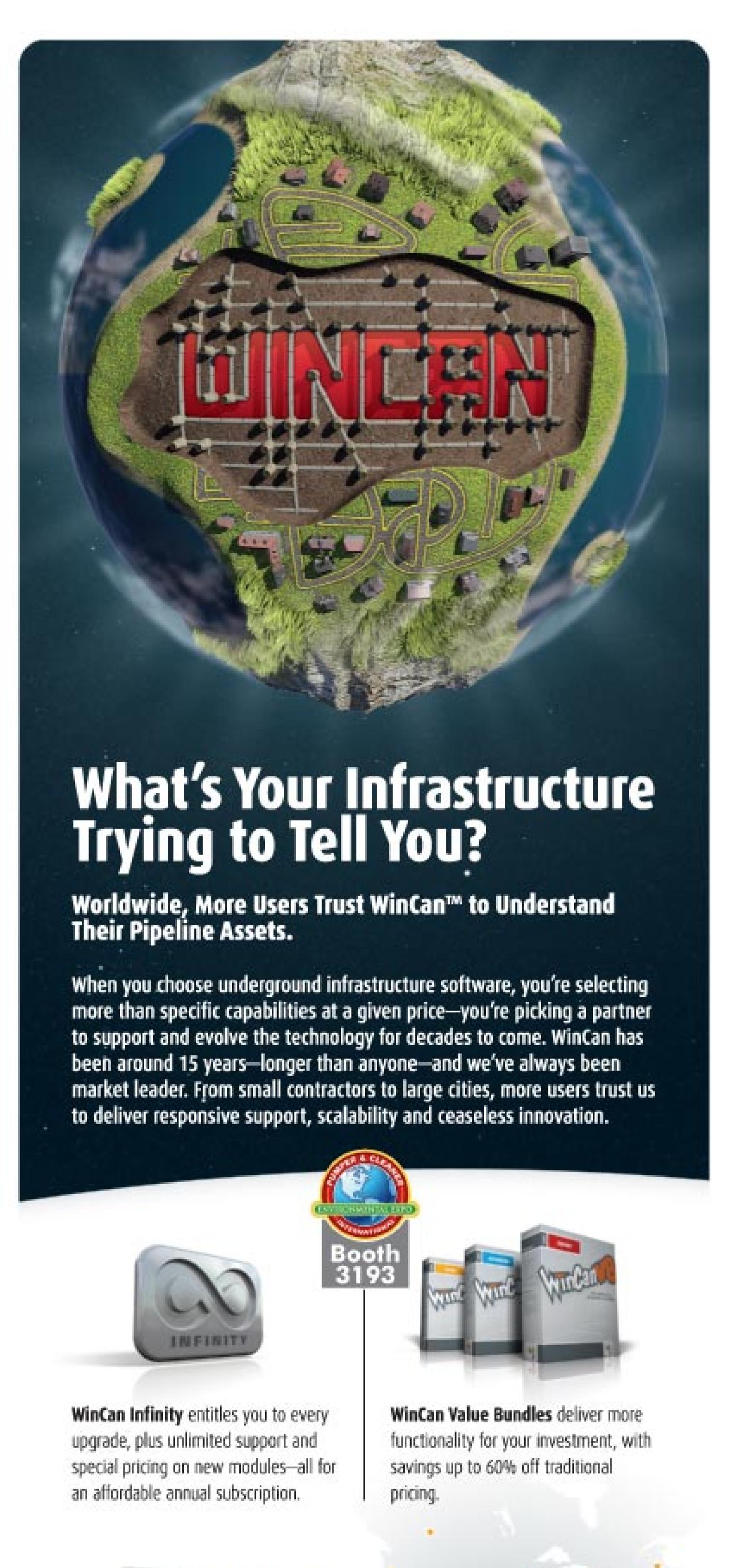
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The Wyoming Association of Rural Water Systems provides assistance small water and wastewater systems might not otherwise have at hand

By Jim Force

p before dawn, Mark Court climbs into his Kia Optima sedan and heads west on I-25. His destination: Jackson, Wyo., nearly 400 miles from home. His mission: visit with a small community water system and help them deal with a plant operations or water supply issue.

He'll stay in the area all week, visiting and helping other systems overcome operational problems, find funding sources, train for certification, and improve relationships with regulatory agencies and local governments.

"The Kia gets great gas mileage," says Court, wastewater specialist. That's good, because as one of three circuit riders for the Wyoming Association of Rural Water Systems (WARWS), he delivers training and technical assistance to some 550 small water and wastewater systems across 97,000 square miles of the state. "I can put on close to 40,000 miles a year," he says.

Affiliated with the National Rural Water Association, WARWS is based in Glenrock, near Casper. It's in its 21st year, according to executive director Mark Pepper, and is funded by association dues, fee-based training, and federal grants through the U.S. EPA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Utility Service. Like other rural water associations across the country, WARWS provides services at no charge to clients.

#### Pushing compliance

"We're charged with providing

training and technical assistance, but also advocating compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Clean Water Act," Pepper says, "Our activities include conducting two major training conferences a year and providing

and Dan Chamberlain, funded through the USDA Farm Services Administration.

"Our source water specialists work with local constituents to develop source water protection programs for their system or a sur-

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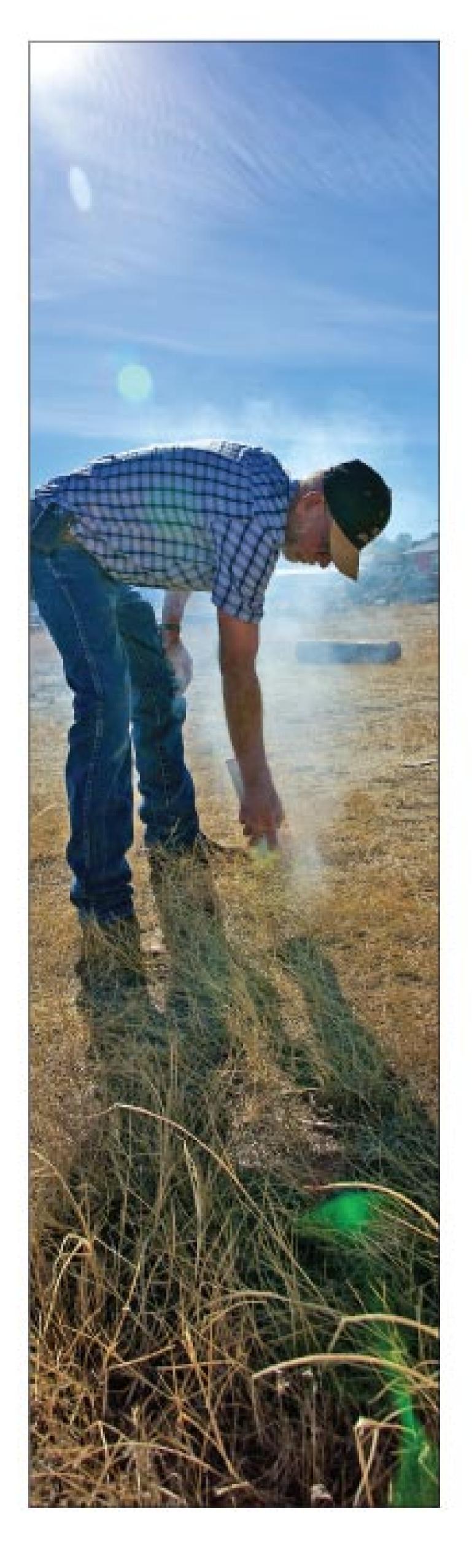
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In addition to its circuit riders, the staff includes training specialist Kathy Weinsaft and two source water protection specialists: Miles Edwards, funded through the EPA, rounding area including their system," Pepper says. "This includes on-site technical assistance as well as planning and training elements. Plus, we maintain a Power Smoker (Hurco Technologies) and a small Gen-Eye push camera (General Pipe Cleaners), so we

can actually help some of our customers with small smoke-testing or video projects where needed."

WARWS does not compete with private contractors for those services, but has the equipment on hand for emergencies or for small systems that can't afford to hire out projects.

For all it does, the circuit rider program is perhaps most visible to Wyoming's small and widely dispersed systems because it allows them to meet face-to-face to discuss issues and develop solutions. "We have two water specialists (Jim Van Dorn and Ross Jorgensen), and one wastewater specialist (Court)," says Pepper. "They travel the state all year, meeting



with every system at least once a year. This is a headwaters state in an arid climate. Most of our systems rely on groundwater. Landfills and septic systems often represent threats to water quality."

Small-system operator Charlie Stickney of Thermopolis says the WARWS circuit riders "do a fantastic job for us. If we have a problem, they're up here that day or the next. No matter what the issue is, they're knowledgeable."

#### Solving problems

WARWS helps facilitate communications and resolve management issues. In late 2010, circuit

"These small systems
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rider Jorgensen was instrumental in setting up a brainstorming session to investigate solutions to a radionuclide problem at a small water system near Gillette.

Realizing that the recent WARWS conference in Gillette had attracted all the area's engineering consultants, technology suppliers, as well as local, state, and federal governmental agencies, he invited representatives of all groups to a post-conference meeting at the county building to focus on possible solutions.

"We had 25 to 30 people around the table, and we discussed the issue for over two-and-a-half hours," he reports. "Had the water system operators tried to get this much advice and input through normal channels, it would have taken weeks, maybe months, and it could have been quite costly."

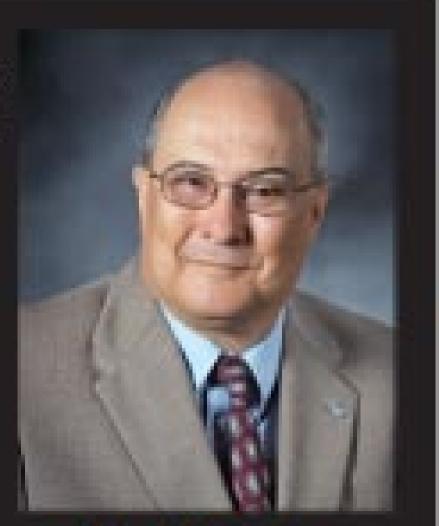
Attendees included EPA officials (Wyoming chooses not to have primacy over its water but leaves it to EPA to administer), representatives from the USDA Rural Development Administration and the county engineering

Dave Andrews, public works director in Glenrock, marks an open vent stack at an abandoned trailer court.

#### TESTING AND INSPECTING

In addition to training and technical assistance, the Wyoming Association of Rural Water Systems (WARWS) maintains two pieces of equipment to help small systems smoke test and inspect water and sewer lines.

"We are not in the business of competing with private sector contractors," explains executive director Mark Pepper, "but sometimes these communities cannot afford to hire outside help, or they're faced with an emergency that needs prompt attention."



Mark Pepper, executive director of WARWS

The association's smoke-testing system and push camera are available to clients for special projects. The equipment is called in when small-system clients experience broken pipes, illegal connections, failing p-traps, or water or sewer line leaks. Sometimes the applications make for quite a story.

Circuit rider Mark Court recalls one project where Wyoming's first state penitentiary was being converted to a museum in Rawlins, now known as the Wyoming Frontier Prison. The cornerstone for the prison was laid in 1888, and the facility opened in 1901. Through the years until its closing in 1987, the penitentiary housed more than 13,000 inmates and was the site of various forms of punishment and execution.

Eventually, a joint powers board took ownership of the facility and made it into a museum that has since been placed on the National Registry of Historic Places. WARWS helped in the renovation by smoke testing water and sewer lines throughout the property. "Interestingly enough," says Court, "the lines in the cell blocks and gas chambers were tight. The only leaks we found were in the kitchen, where p-traps had dried out."

In other cases, the association's camera equipment has been instrumental in drug busts. "We've worked with law enforcement and set up our camera in the sewer line leading to a suspected drug house," he says. "Sometimes when the place is raided, the suspects flush the evidence and we end up with a video of the disposal. It's held up in court."

department, even two individuals running for county commissioner. "We explored potential funding and discussed the pros and cons of various treatment methods," says Jorgensen.

Duaine Faucett of Waterguy, the contract operator for the system, said the meeting was "great," and has led to a potentially positive outcome. "We are taking bids to camera the well, log it and take samples to see where the contamination is coming from," he says. "It's 2,000 feet deep. We've also sampled other wells in the immediate area."

Faucett's company operates more than 60 small systems, including the one in question, which has only 43 taps. "These small systems can't afford to pay for this level of technical assistance," he says. "I call on these guys (WARWS) all the time."

#### Emergency response

Sometimes the WARWS circuit riders must take on plant operations themselves. One recent



Dave Andrews, public works director in Glenrock, right, and Mark Court, registered wastewater specialist for WARWS, replace a manhole after smoke testing.

#### TRAINING BEYOND OPERATORS

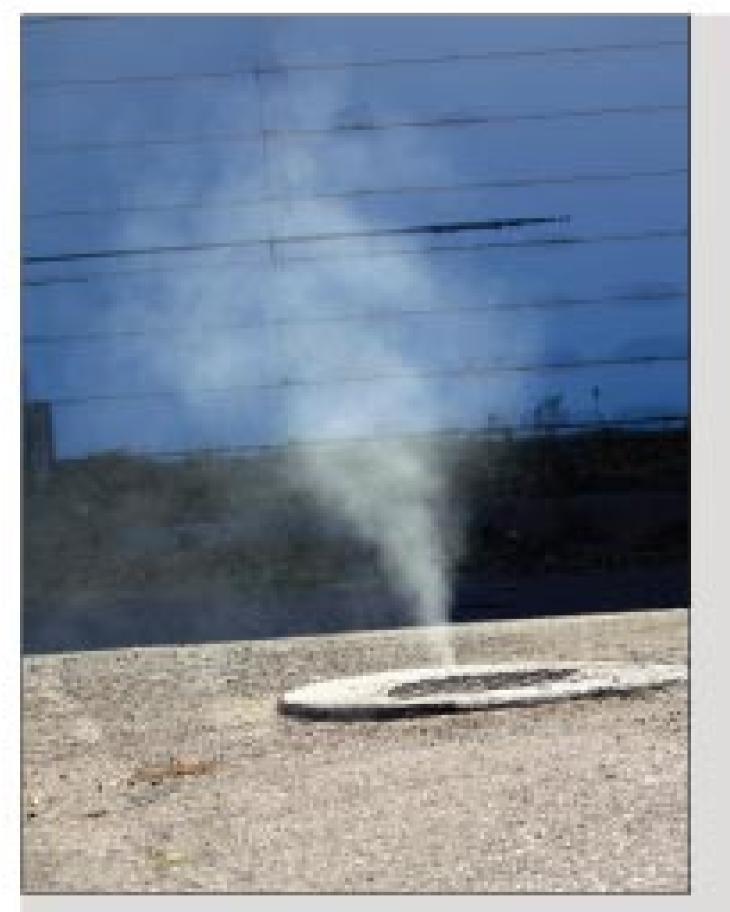
The Wyoming Association of Rural Water Systems (WARWS) provides hundreds of hours of on-site training for water and wastewater system operators throughout the state, helping them achieve certification. But that's not all the education WARWS offers its clients. A fair share of the focus is on other groups important in the water and wastewater arena, especially mayors, commissioners and boards, and engineers.

"After all, they are the people who own the systems, and who are responsible for them," says Kathy Weinsaft, who heads the training and technical assistance program funded through the U.S. EPA.

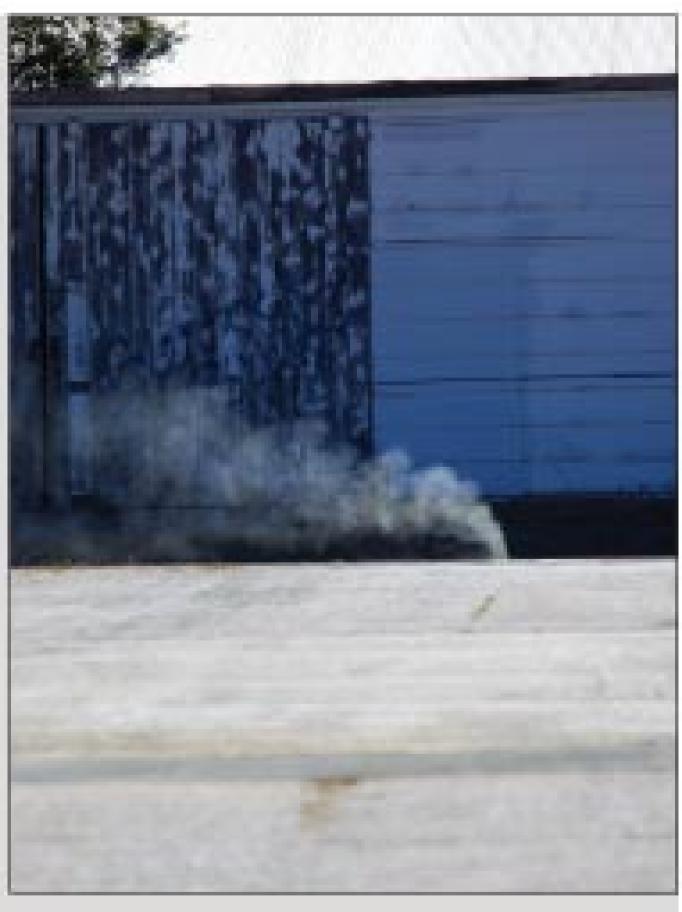
An example is a three-day training conference last June on septic systems, sponsored by the association and aimed not only at operators, but also the planners and community decision-makers. "When they think about planning new developments, they need to also think about septic systems and understand the regulations and the technologies," Weinsaft says.

The first day concentrated on decision-makers, the second day on different types of septic systems and where they worked best, and the third day on innovative system technologies. Total attendance was close to 80.

Weinsaft says other training programs for board members and decision-makers include sustainability, asset management and ratesetting. The association also conducts one-day training sessions for engineers who work with water and wastewater systems in Wyoming. "We're trying to get all our folks to think about the big picture where we are today and where we'll be 10 years from now," says Weinsaft.







Smoke testing shows sewer system workers where there are vent stacks in buildings and where there are breaks in sewer lines that need repair.

case involved two small adjacent communities where the plant staff from one town ran both water treatment facilities. When both communities were hit with major flooding, the staff could only protect the home plant. The other, a

pressure sand filtration operation, was left unstaffed and became contaminated. The community had to issue a lengthy boil order.

WARWS literally came to the rescue. Jorgensen worked 16 hours a day with the community and its

leadership to get lines and tanks disinfected and to restore a chlorine residual to the system. "They had NTUs as high as 60 (permit is one NTU), and weren't sure what to do," Jorgensen says. "We helped them get the plant settled down."

Another treatment system ran into trouble when finished-water NTUs rocketed to 60 in the spring, when the plant draws its source water from irrigation ditches. WARWS's Van Dorn was on the scene quickly. "The operator was new, and we helped turn up the filtration rate and keep up with demand," he says. "We'll meet with anybody. When they call, we respond. We tell them they don't want to get dinged (cited for a violation) on this."

#### The solids side

A major challenge for many communities is sludge and sludge lagoons, which nearly all wastewater treatment systems in Wyoming use. There are few mechanical systems, since only eight of the state's municipalities have more than 10,000 residents.

"Biosolids monitoring is the key to good operations and compliance," says Court. "When the

weather's good, I'm out in the boat checking sludge depth." Using a special spreadsheet that calculates such factors as population growth, sludge inventory, and removal costs, he counsels operators on the relationship between solids buildup and effluent quality.

"Too much sludge can result in BOD and TSS excursions and algae buildup, including bluegreen algae, which is toxic to the environment," Court says. "Plants need to keep their sludge inventory under control."

Court also encourages biosolids reuse. "I'm opposed to simply landfilling biosolids," he says. "The nutrient value of biosolids is higher than that of animal waste. We try to get our clients to landapply the material. In this dry climate, it can change soil chemistry and help restore vegetation."

#### Dispute resolution

A dispute over chlorination drew the WARWS team to help another small system. "City officials wanted the operator to continue an old practice of buying bleach for disinfection, instead of using chlorine," Van Dorn recalls. WARWS worked with the community and the operator to make sure the system stayed in compliance and used proper disinfection methods.

In another case, Van Dorn helped a community access rural development funds for an infrastructure project, patching up botched communications among the various parties involved and securing funding. "That's my biggest cup of tea," says Van Dorn, "dealing with management and communication issues."

The Wyoming circuit riders do a lot of training as well, and help systems with emergency and O&M plans. Charlie Stickney of Thermopolis appreciates all the WARWS initiatives. "They train us to be better operators, to do our job better," he says. "They help us get certified and move up to higher levels of certification. That's how I use them."

Stickney says WARWS also helped him develop an emergency plan, which came into play when a water main broke under a highway. "We put the plan into practice and avoided washing out the whole road," he says.

He also credits WARWS for helping water boards and town councils understand the treatment system and how to manage it more efficiently, and for helping small systems secure funding for projects like the new water tank his system is planning to build. "I operate a small district," Stickney says. "If I run into a problem I can't solve, I call them. They help me solve it."

The satisfaction is mutual. "I feel good at the end of the day," says Van Dorn, who used to operate a large wellfield himself and now enjoys the freedom from the bureaucracy.

Jorgensen puts it this way: "A system I visited this week has a new operator learning the operation of his plant. He mentioned that he needed to calibrate the turbidimeters, but instead of calibrating, a simple cleaning provided a much lower and accurate NTU reading. To me, this was simple maintenance, but to the operator it was a signifi"They train us to be better operators, to do our job better. They help us get certified and move up to higher levels of certification. That's how I use them."

#### Charlie Stickney

cant technical assistance visit. He is more confident that the filters are producing good, clean water."

What may seem routine to the WARWS team means much more to the operators, clerks and water boards around the state, Court believes. "Too often we may never know," he says, "but I believe this is why we are out there — catching the little things before they become big." ◆

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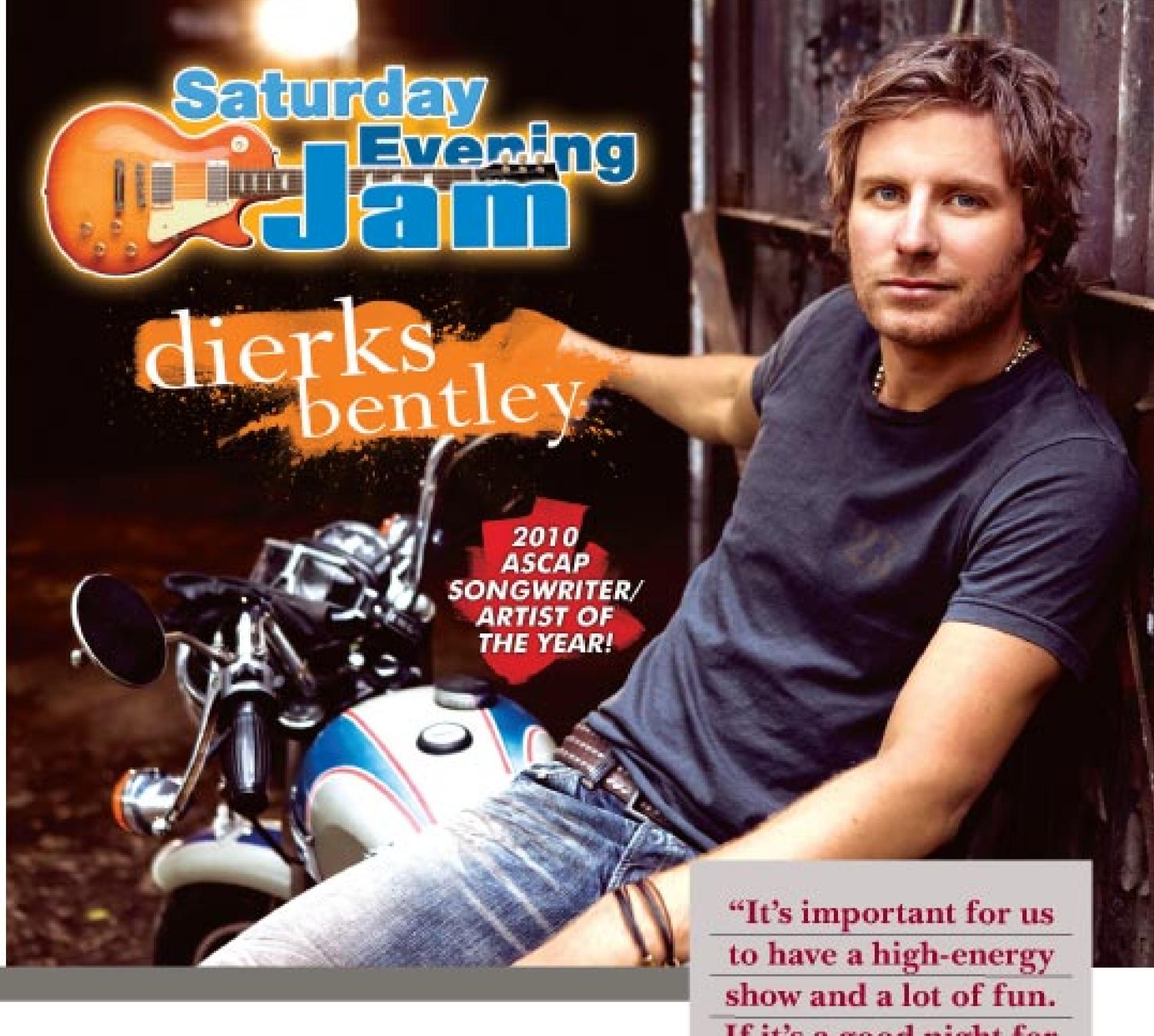


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### PARTY WITH DIERKS

Red-hot country performer and one-time pumper — Dierks Bentley will rock the house in Louisville

By Jim Kneiszel



ow's this for the hottest ticket in town: The Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo and Dierks Bentley.

The can't miss trade show for environmental services professionals collides with the can't miss country music performer of the past year. When Bentley takes the stage at Louisville's Freedom Hall March 5, he will have just learned the fate of his three nominations from the 2010 Grammy Awards.

Bentley, 35, has had numerous No. 1 country hits since his 2003 debut album, but last year's bluegrass-influenced *Up On The Ridge* took him to a new level. Recording with an ensemble of the hottest new stars — Punch Brothers, Miranda Lambert and Jamey Johnson — Bentley produced the contemporary country music that built his career, but used the acoustic sound that instilled his love of country music in the first place.

"I had a blast making this record," Bentley said in an interview. "It was the most fun I've really ever had making a record. Bluegrass music is what really first got me turned on to country. I don't think I'm a traditionalist. I

love country music and putting my own stamp on it. And using acoustic instruments is a big part of the formula; I want to push the boundaries of what you can do with them."

#### A pumping past

Beyond music, there's another reason the Expo crowd will enjoy this down-to-earth performer: He's been a pumper. One of the many jobs he had before landing a contract in Music City was pumping out holding tanks on houseboats at Lake Powell in his home state of Arizona.

"I loved the lake and I loved being up there," Bentley explains. "In the mornings, I'd go down and show the customers how to drive the boats — 35- to 60-foot houseboats. When the boats came back, we'd clean them from top to bottom, scrub the roofs and decks, pump out the tanks, and get them ready to go the next morning."

Boats typically had 250-gallon holding tanks, and that waste was pumped through a pipe system installed at the marina. Careful evacuation of the tanks and constant cleaning is vital because Lake Powell provides a freshwater supply for an expansive desert territory in the Southwest.

Bentley always enjoyed physical labor (he built decks for a time and retrieved golf balls at a driving range) and appreciates hard work. The jobs he didn't like were in Nashville offices while he paid his dues in the music business.

"I poured coffee all over this town and worked in every building in Nashville before I got a publishing deal," he recalls. "I like physical labor, but emotionally being in Nashville and working day jobs while trying to get a record deal was the toughest."

#### Quit the day job

In 2003, Bentley's first single, "What Was I Thinkin'" topped the country chart. His 2005 album, Modern Day Drifter, went platinum. That year he became the youngest member of the Grand Ole Opry and received the Country Music Association's Horizon Award. He followed with the 2009 album, Feel That Fire, which included two No.1 hits, the title track and "Sideways."

Then Bentley had a thought. What if he returned to the bluegrass music he fell in love with when he arrived in Nashville years show and a lot of fun.

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ago? So he called his friends in the band Nickel Creek and started planning *Up On The Ridge*.

"I've always been a big fan of Nickel Creek, and I knew (mandolin player and singer) Chris Thile from bounding around in the bluegrass circles," he says. "They were really out there with the progressive acoustic music and I really enjoyed what they did. I had moved here to do country music, and I walked into a bar and they were singing country songs using acoustic instruments. I really fell in love with that sound, and it gave me a foundation to start from."

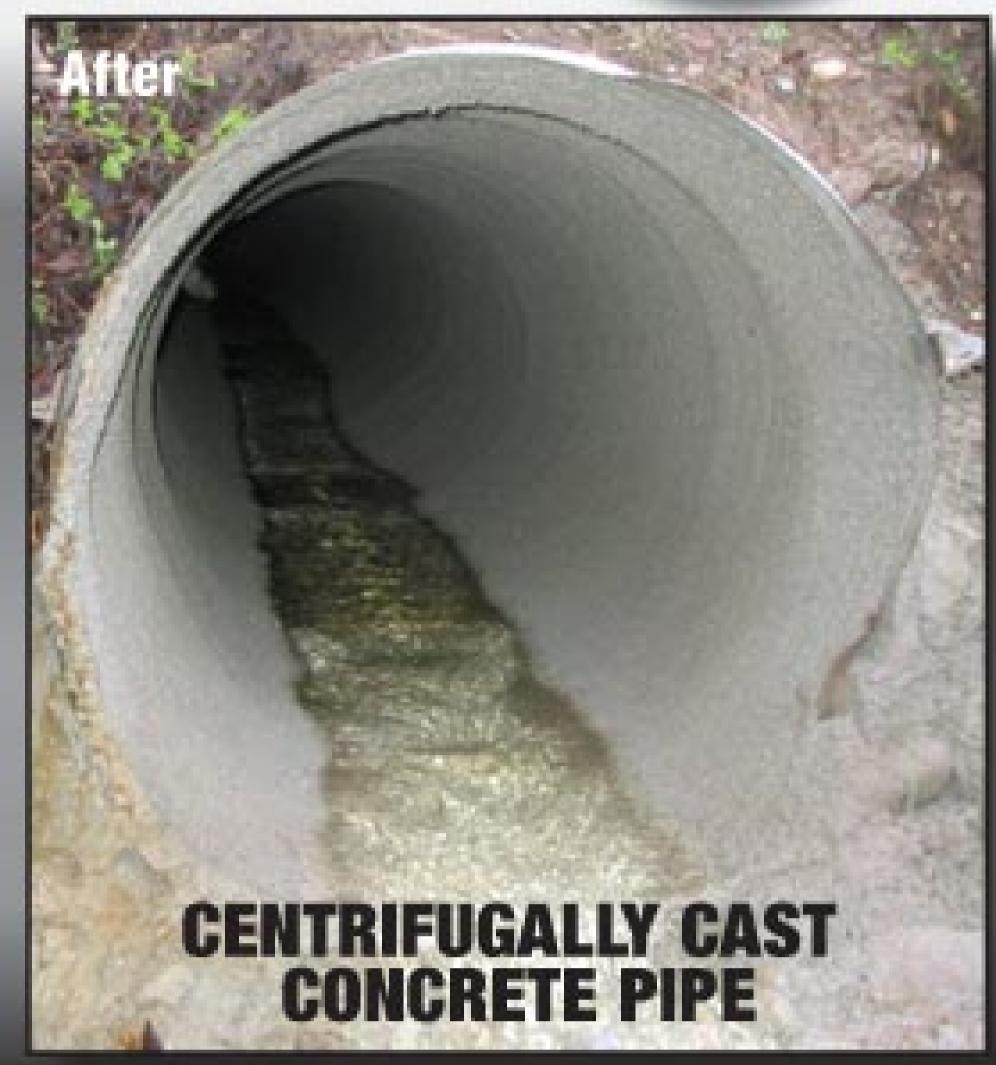
Thile's new critically acclaimed band, Punch Brothers, recorded a number of tunes with Bentley, including a daring cover of the U2 hit, "Pride (In The Name Of Love)." Besides the Punch Brothers, the



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song features the high lonesome sound of bluegrass legend Del McCoury.

At first, friends didn't understand Bentley's choice to cover a rock band like U2, but "Pride" became one of several hits from the record, which also features "Bad Angel" with Lambert and Johnson, and the title track. "Pride" and "Bad Angel" were nominated for Grammys, and Up On The Ridge for Best Country Album Grammy.

"It's a tough song to cover, but you know if you're going to cover a song by a group like that, pick a big one," Bentley says. "It was a little daunting. They're one of my favorite bands, and you knew going into that song that it's going to go one way or the other. Either it's going to get a Grammy nomination or it's going to be a disaster."

#### Electric and loud

For the Expo, Bentley will perform an acoustic set from  $Up \ On$ The Ridge, but mostly he and his five bandmates will be plugged in and rowdy for Freedom Hall, where he has played numerous times. "The shows tend to be electric and

loud," he says. "We like to have a good party atmosphere going. But we'll break it down and get the upright bass and banjo out and do some things from this record.

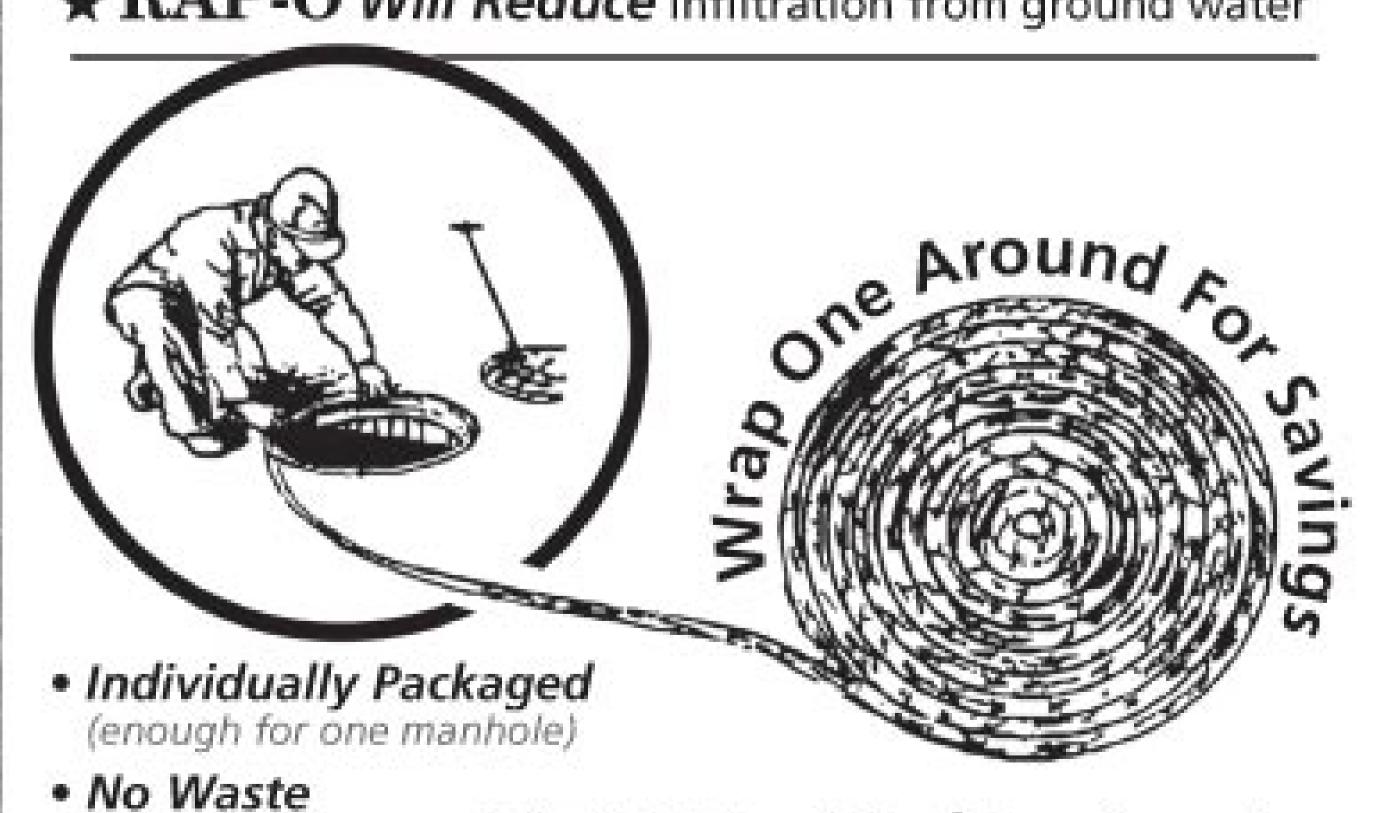
"It's important for us to have a high-energy show and a lot of fun. If it's a good night for us, everyone else will have a good time. This is one of the first shows we'll have for the year and everybody will be extra excited to be out there playing."

It might be hard for Bentley to pry himself away from his family in Nashville to start touring again. He, wife Cassidy, and daughter Evic welcomed the birth of their second daughter, Jordan Catherine, a month ago on Christmas morning. But he's looking forward to meeting Expo fans and might bring some photos from his pumping past to share. "These are the folks I hang out with at shows," he says. "The hardworking people."

At-the-door registration for the Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo is \$60 for the full program, including the Saturday Evening Jam featuring Dierks Bentley. To find out more, visit www.pumpershow. com or call 866/933-2653. \*

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## LITTLE TOWN, BIG PERFORMANCE

The Etowah Water & Sewer Authority serves a small community, but delivers big results in water treatment and reclamation.

#### By Dan Heim

he Etowah Water & Sewer Authority enjoys the luxury of "first draw" on the Etowah River. And how the agency handles its responsibility for water stewardship has a lot to do with recent recognition.

In 2008, Etowah Water won the Collections System of the Year Award from the Georgia Association of Water Professionals (GAWP) for outstanding performance among systems with fewer than 10,000 customers.

In the same year, Richard Ray, operator at the authority's Daw-

son Forest Water Reclamation Facility, received the GAWP Top Operations Award for outstanding and innovative performance in wastewater treatment. In 2010, Etowah Water won the GAWP Public Education Award.

The Etowah Water collection system is relatively new, but the staff still maintains it rigorously, with proactive inspections, upgrades, GIS-based asset management, and hydraulic modeling, all aimed at keeping the infrastructure functioning properly.

#### Like a family

Brooke Anderson, general manager of Etowah Water, observes, "People shouldn't confuse size with quality. We've got a tight workflow and a proactive attitude. Being a small organization, we function more as a family with lots of collaboration."

That small family nonetheless brings many years of experience to the task. "Our crews have, on average, five to six years experience," says Kenneth Pearson, operations superintendent, "Our managers have 10 to 20 years. We've got a low turnover rate and a very loyal and committed group of people here."

Etowah Water serves Dawson County, Ga., on the north-central border between Georgia and Tennessee. Its headquarters is in Dawsonville, the county seat, about 40 miles north of Atlanta.

Much of the authority's infrastructure is less than 15 years old, so there isn't much excavation and pipe repair in the day-to-day routine. The 22 miles of pipes are dura-



Operations superintendent Kenneth Pearson, general manager Brooke Anderson and water reclamation facility superintendent Dolly Pendley.

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ble PVC, except for a few miles of ductile iron. Because the system is new, Etowah Water focuses on proactive upgrades and inspections.

A recent big-ticket upgrade was a new influent lift station installed in 2009 at the Dawson Forest plant. It handles an average of 1 mgd but is sized to accommodate up to 2.5 mgd. "We're not a high growth area, especially with the current economy," says Anderson. "But we are growing, so we're looking down the road to ensure sufficient system capacity." At present, most growth is commercial, in the form of restaurants and light industry. The single largest customer is a major outlet mall.

Typical soils are sandy loam and some clay, with a water table averaging 10 feet. I&I is minimal at present, but with average annual rainfall of 52 inches, it could become a problem in the future. That's where a rigorous inspection program pays off.

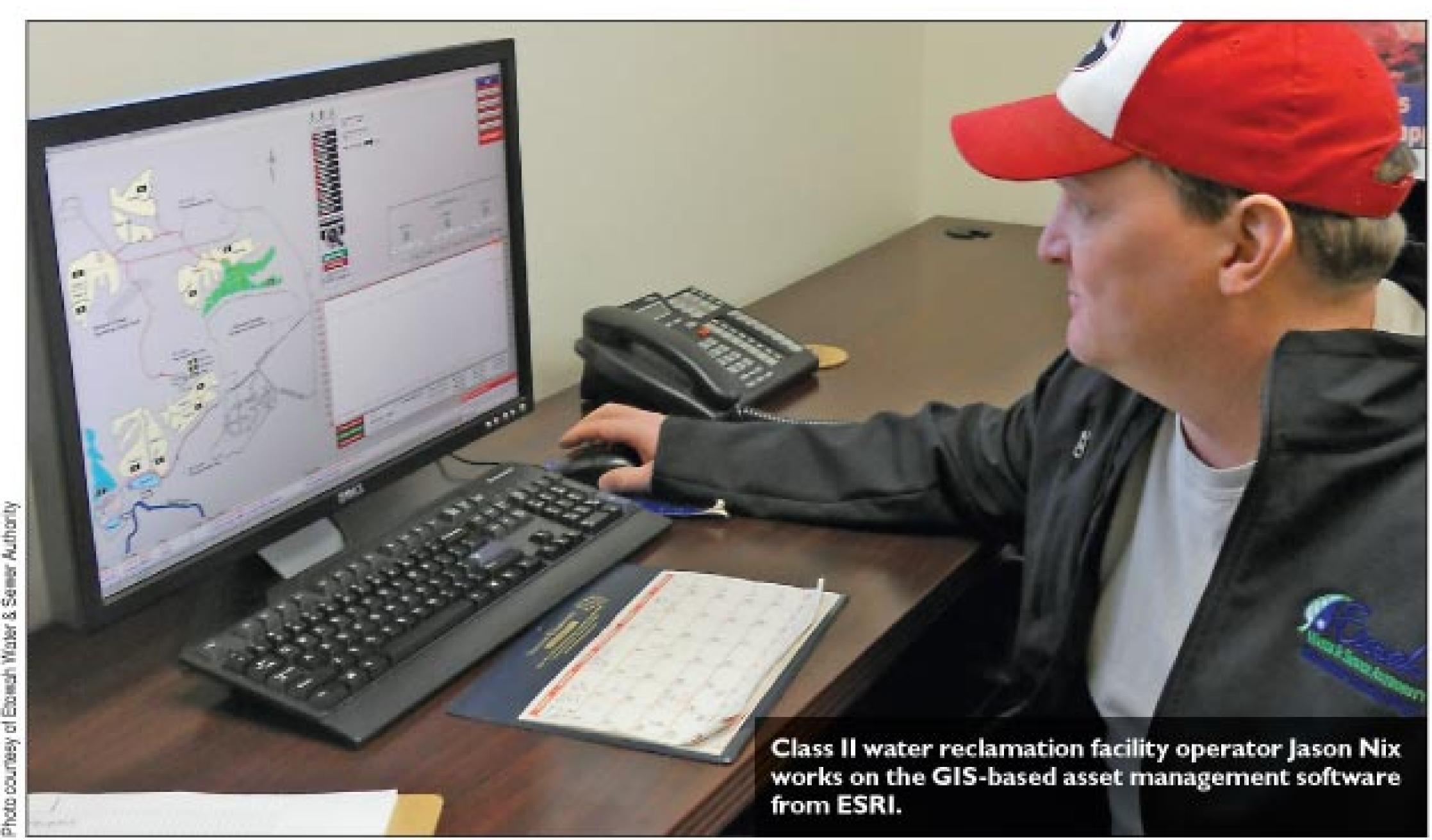
#### Proactive investigation

Early on, Etowah Water put in place a GPS-based GIS using ESRI software for asset management. Each of the system's 500 manholes are inspected twice yearly, and the spray fields at the treatment plant are inspected daily. "The treat-

ment plant is the core of our infrastructure, and we have staff on site 24/7 to ensure that it's functioning," says Dolly Pendley, plant superintendent.

Pearson adds, "You can never be too safe in the wastewater business. We're always looking for ways to make our inspection programs more stringent. We've recently found the time and resources to go to daily inspections of our 13 lift stations. We perform any preventive maintenance as needed."

Says Anderson, "Our GIS really helps out here. We've developed a hydraulic model of our entire system. This helps us predict weak points and proactively maintain full system integrity."



#### IMPORTANT RIVER

Dawson County lies south of Chattahoochee National Forest, home of the Blue Ridge Mountains. From this watershed flows the Etowah River (pronounced ET-ohwah), potable source for most of the county. In fact, through recent droughts in the Southeast, the river continued to fulfill 100 percent of the authority's needs.

The Etowah is not a large river. Typically 30 to 40 feet wide, it has normal flow rates of 400 to 500 cubic feet per second. But during drought, it has run closer to 100 cubic feet per second.

The river emerges from an abandoned mining tunnel in the mountains, through which it was diverted. It later absorbs the Amicalola River as a tributary, joins the Oostanaula River, and finally empties into Lake Allatoona.

From there, it becomes the Chattahoochee River, flowing ultimately to the Gulf of Mexico. But Dawson County draws first on the resource. "Having first draw brings its responsibilities," says Dolly Pendley, superintendent of the Dawson Forest Water Reclamation Facility.

"We don't just get our water from the Etowah. It's also popular for canoeing and kayaking and fishing. It's a real resource, and we owe it to everyone downstream to send along good water." Outreach and educational programs help in that effort.

"Public compliance is excellent," says Pendley. "A first warning is sufficient in the vast majority of cases where inspectors find issues. I think that, since 1985 when Etowah Water was formed, we've issued only a single fine."

The Etowah is home to 17 species of fish and 16 invertebrates listed as imperiled. That's more than for any other river its size in the nation. Stewardship is imperative, and Etowah Water recognizes that responsibility. "What it all comes down to," says Pendley, "is having pride in what you do."



Operations technician Mathew Smith checks the Verbatim alarm monitoring control system from RACO Mfg. and Engineering at one of Etowah Water's wastewater pump stations.



Jason Nix, Class II water reclamation facility operator, checks inside the pre-screening auger tank from Parkson Corporation that removes large items from the wastewater flow.

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#### **Kenneth Pearson**

Another crucial part of the inspection program is the fats, oils, and grease (FOG) compliance cycle. Restaurants comprise

half the wastewater load, and Etowah Water conducts grease trap inspections quarterly. Compliance has been excellent.

"We've needed to manage our resources in spite of this bad economy, but we will never compromise when it comes to inspection and maintenance," says Anderson. "Sure, we've had to tighten our belts a bit, but there have been no layoffs or hour cutbacks. And that keeps our staff happy. It motivates them to do their jobs well."

#### Where to from here?

EWSA never rests on its lau-

"We're now developing some of our own in-house equipment for routine maintenance and other small jobs. Nothing major, but we think we can save some money and improve response time by allocating some funds for minor equipment."

#### **Brooke Anderson**

rels. The authority continues to seek ways to do the job better. One target for improvement is the work order system. "We need to make the whole process of phone call to work order to fix much easier and quicker," says Pearson. "What we've got now is OK, but I know we can do better. We're looking to streamline the process by linking our databases and automating many of those steps. When a phone call comes in, I don't think shooting for a same-day fix is at all unrealistic."

Much of the fieldwork is farmed out to Townley Construction, a local contractor available 24/7. It has been more effective to contract with Townley, with its full complement of excavators, vacuum trucks, and inspection vans, than to budget for in-house equipment.

Still, Etowah Water is looking at bringing a few more jobs inside. "We're now developing some of our own in-house equipment for routine maintenance and other small jobs," says Anderson. "Nothing major, but we think we can save some money and improve response time by allocating some funds for minor equipment. I'm talking about things like tools and safety equipment for service line repairs and routine manhole maintenance, and maybe a small portable camera system."

#### Stressing education

Etowah Water is committed to education. Both Pendley and Pearson regularly attend conferences sponsored by GAWP, as well as academic and public forums and vendor training sessions. "Knowledge is power," says Pendley. "If you as a manager can't make the time to keep learning, that's a bad example for the staff. And in this field, there's always more to learn."

The 2010 GAWP Public Education Award recognized Etowah Water for its Award Notebook, a compilation of many previously separate documents detailing the best practices that enabled the authority to win numerous awards.

"Some of the notebook content wasn't even written down," says Anderson. "It was just floating around in the heads of our staff, and it's important to get all that wisdom into print for future reference." Etowah Water now makes the notebook available through GAWP for use by other Georgia municipalities, and feedback has been highly positive. The notebook covers areas including:

- Public outreach and education
- · Community interaction
- · Promotion of conservation
- Workshop design
- Protection of resources
- Capacity management operations

The notebook is updated and revised continuously as new or more effective tactics and practices are developed. "It's a bit like a playbook for how to win with GAWP, and we're happy to share it with other pros in our industry," says Anderson.

Doris Cook, resource manager, adds, "Adopting our notebook is really great recognition. What an honor to know that other authorities are being encouraged to follow our lead. Still, we always want to do better."

Anderson adds, "This is important work. And if we do it well, we're pretty much invisible to our customers. They just want everything to work. Out of sight is good." •

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## PLAY BALL!

Sliplining with fiberglass-reinforced concrete pipe rehabilitates a 1,300-foot sewer interceptor, enabling the Minnesota Twins to build their new ballpark

By Scottie Dayton

"The city had closed the street, but crews were demolishing the bridge's west abutment. Our main concern was that all the activity and vibrations from vehicles would cause a collapse."

Dan Banken

n 84-inch brick-and-mortar interceptor, constructed in 1889, lay north of the proposed Minnesota Twins ballpark, but in the path of transportation improvements.

Staff from the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, the wastewater agency serving the Twin Cities, feared that driving the pilings to support the Northstar Commuter Rail to the stadium and a new west abutment to the Fifth Street Bridge could collapse the pipe.

The council hired Brown and Caldwell, an engineering and consulting firm in St. Paul, to inspect

the interceptor and recommend solutions. The assessment team found crown cracks, mineral deposits, two sagging areas, inward bulging near the pilings supporting the bridge, numerous leaking joints, and dislodged bricks and stonework in the east and west reaches.

Without a way to bypass the interceptor, Brown and Caldwell recommended sliplining it with centrifugally cast, fiber-reinforced, polymer-mortar pipe from HOBAS Pipe USA. The firm chose that pipe because it could be fabricated quickly and would resist corrosion, stabilize the interceptor

during construction, and extend the line's service life by 50 years. Lametti and Sons Inc. in Hugo, Minn., won the bid.

"The council insisted that no other work begin until we rehabilitate the pipe," says project manager Dan Banken. "If the stadium were to open on schedule, we had to complete our job before the end of 2007." Unable to use heavy equipment, crews labored above and below ground with manual tools in a grueling environment for eight months. Despite backbreaking conditions, the firm met its deadline, and the Twins played their 2010 opening game in Target Field.

#### Critical areas

To avoid construction delays, Lametti's crews concentrated on the most critical area — the west abutment marking the halfway point of the 1,300-foot-long interceptor. Two crews excavated two 35- by 15-foot rectangular pits and Pit 7, a 25-foot-diameter pit, in the middle of Fifth Street under the bridge.

"The city had closed the street, but crews were demolishing the bridge's west abutment," says Banken. "Our main concern was that all the activity and vibrations from the pit helped pull the carts back and forth to a debris tub lowered by a crane. It took four to five days to clean between pits spaced 200 to 500 feet apart.

Sliplining began in Pit 7. "We pulled in 200 feet of 78-inch HOBAS pipe so Northstar Rail could begin driving piles," says Banken. "Although Brown and Caldwell had measured the interceptor, engineers decided on 10-foot sections to avoid getting a 20-foot stick stuck." Each pipe length weighed 4,500 pounds.

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#### Dan Banken

vehicles would cause a collapse." The pits, up to 50 feet deep, took two weeks to dig using mini-excavators. Workers shored the excavations with bracing and wood lagging or circular ring beams. The soil was tested for potential industrial contamination before removal and disposal.

Once the excavator operator uncovered the crown of the interceptor in Pit 7, he removed the soil down to the pipe's spring line. Meanwhile, a team entered the sewer from upstream and built a platform under the exposed crown to catch falling bricks as four men removed the crown to the spring line with hammers and chisels.

"This was hard work because if one part of the sewer began unraveling, it could start a domino effect and take down the whole structure," says Banken. "We also didn't want bricks falling into the live flow." The crew removed the material from the platform once a day. They chiseled for three days in each pit.

Even at night, the flow in the sewer was too strong to use jetting equipment. Working knee-deep in sewage, the men removed bricks, rocks, and sediment with shovels and four-wheel carts. A cable attached to a pneumatic winch in

#### A tight fit

Sliplining occurred at night with a three-man crew working 10-hour shifts. They sliplined 950 feet of 78-inch pipe in the west reach and 350 feet of 72-inch pipe in the east reach. After a crane lowered a length of pipe into the sewer, the winch pulled it forward until the spigot entered the bell. The men then rocked the section from side to side while pulling with hand winches to lock the joint. "The flow gave the pipes some buoyancy, but it was brutal, physical work," says Banken. "We normally slide the sections on a rail, but we couldn't do that this time."

Simultaneously, an excavation crew dug and shored 20-foot-deep circular pits at the west end of the interceptor, while a second crew removed shoring and backfilled the middle pits. The excavation crew then turned to the east reach of the pipe, which had a curve with a short radius.

"Even with a rectangular pit, we couldn't fit curved pipes into the interceptor," says Banken. "We gave HOBAS the radius of the curve, and the engineers designed 4-foot-long segments. They worked very well."

The lengths had special joints that the installers could open a lit-

tle to ease the sections around the bend without jeopardizing the pipe's watertight integrity. HOBAS numbered the lengths and provided a drawing of the assembly sequence.

#### Meeting up

HOBAS also constructed a 24-inch drop manhole with inlet pipes for sewage from Target Field and future development to the north. "The engineers did a good

job laying out the manhole in the curve so everything went together smoothly," says Banken. "It was such a tight fit down there that the guys could barely maneuver. There was very little room for error."

The new sewer lined up perfectly with the drop connection, enabling contractors to begin building the ballpark. The interceptor rehabilitation work was a home run, completed on schedule for \$4 million. •



A crane lowers a 10-foot length of 78-inch HOBAS pipe weighing 4,500 pounds into the 84-inch brick sewer.

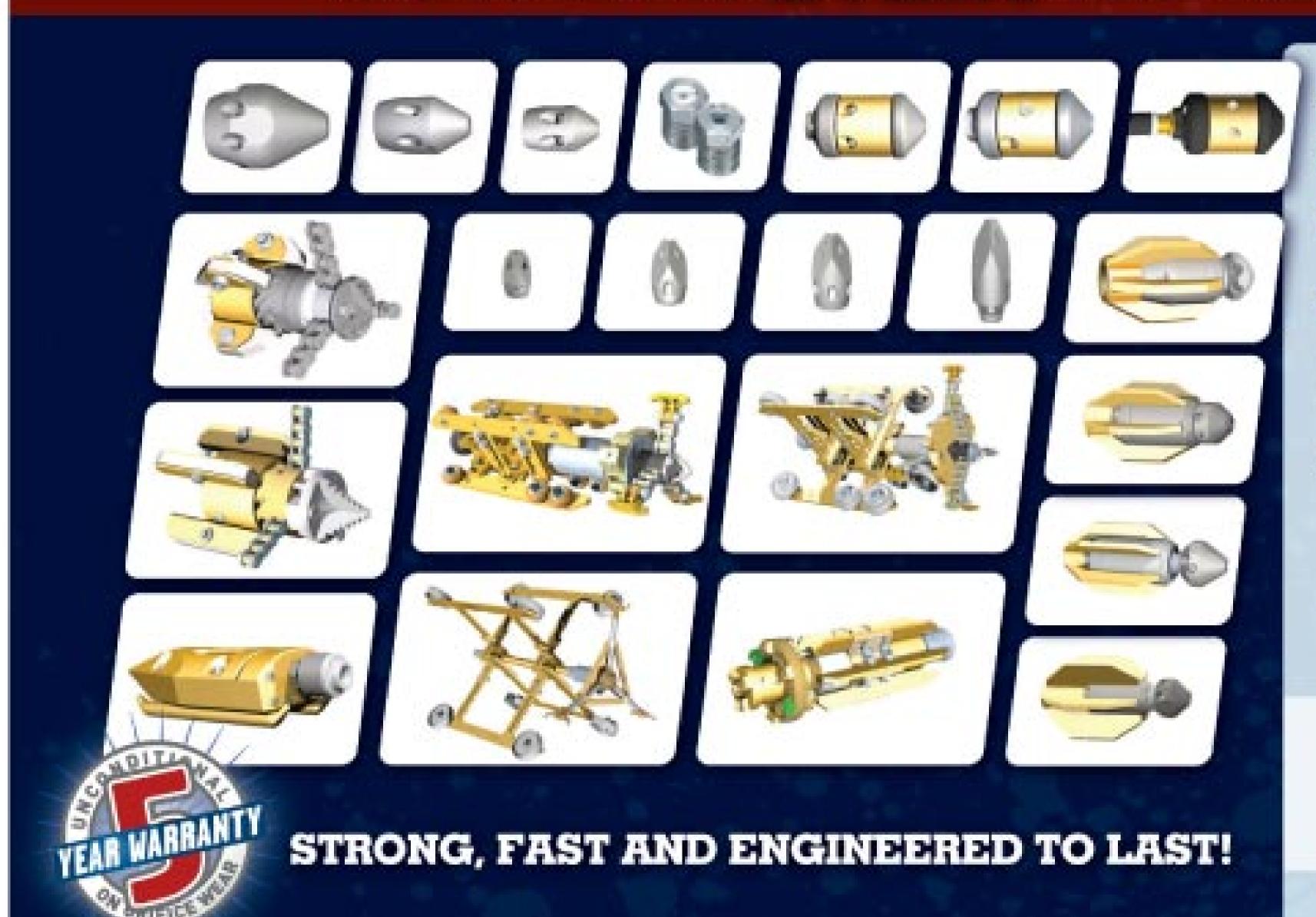


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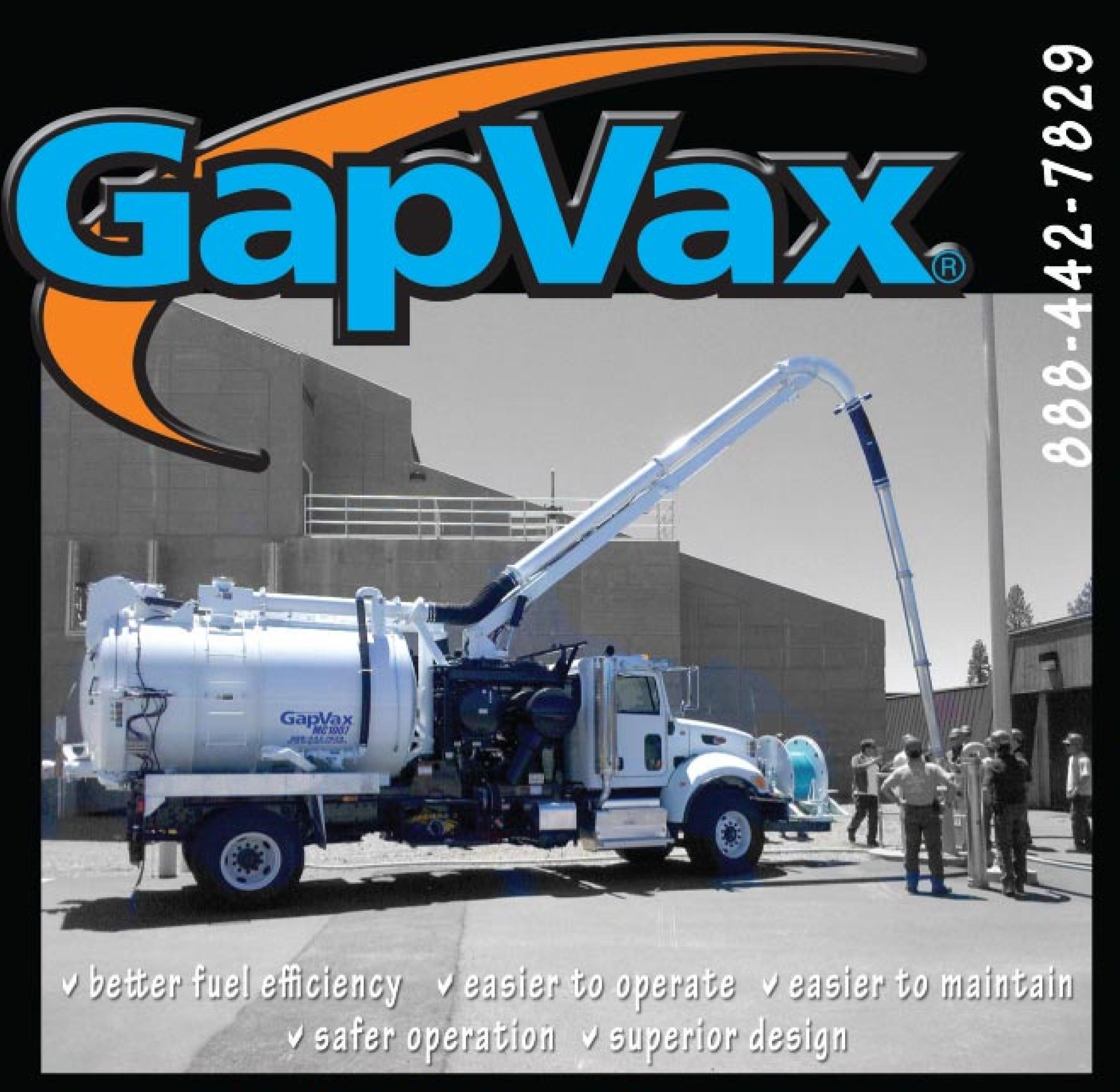
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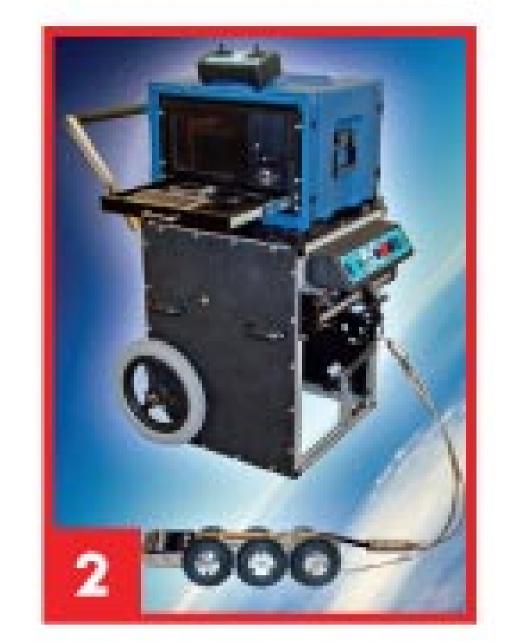
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#### JUST FOR YOU!

Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo exhibitors offer a preview of their latest technologies and services

By Ed Wodalski

Ask anyone who's been to the Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo and they will tell you one of the reasons they keep coming back is to see the latest products and services for their industry. With hundreds of exhibitors, thousands of products and more than 500,000 square feet of floor space to cover, it's difficult to see it all.

To make sure you don't miss out on any of the new breakthroughs at the Kentucky Exposition Center, show sponsor COLE Inc. has dedicated an area exclusively to new products. Introduced in 2010, this year's exhibit is moving to larger quarters and is expected to double in size. The display opens on Wednesday, March 2, for a pre-show sneak peek and will remain open during regular show hours.

There's also an interactive floor plan on the Expo website (www.pumpershow.com) to help you pre-plan your visit. So whether you're a first-time visitor or long-time guest, we're certain the 31st Annual Expo will have what you need to become more efficient and your business more profitable. As a start, here's a look at some of the products and services you don't want to miss.

#### **INSPECTION SYSTEMS**

The PE3600 mini pan-and-tilt camera from Aries Industries Inc. features a rotational wiper system that enables the operator to clean the camera lens and light windows while still in the line. Infinitely Continuous Dual Axis Rotation Technology returns the camera to production after cleaning. The unit is compatible with most Aries inspection equipment, including the Seeker push camera, Pathfinder wheeled transporter and Lateral Elevation Television System (LETS). 800/234-7205; www.ariesindustries.com, Expo booth 1008.

The K2 Series portable CCTV pipeline inspection system from CUES Inc. can be mounted on ATVs, vans, trucks or used as a stand-alone system. The unit includes a wireless handheld control that can operate all CUES transporters and pan-and-tilt cameras. Features include built-in diagnostics, including video cable. The portable video cable reel includes automatic payout to minimize cable drag and maximize pull distance while inspecting pipes from 6 to 12 inches in diameter. The base station can be mounted on the built-in docking port of the reel, staged independently or in a weatherproof enclosure. The unit can be used with Granite XP Asset Inspection/Decision Support software for seamless data integration with asset management and GIS mapping systems. 800/327-7791;

Envirosight LLC

www.cuesinc.com, Expo booth 1068.

The QuickView zoom inspection pole camera from Envirosight LLC is designed for rapid, complete assessment of pipeline infrastructure. The system includes a pole-mounted viewer/recorder with wireless roaming, optional auxiliary camera for manhole viewing and rugged travel case. Features include Haloptic technology that combines lamp, reflector and camera for a halo of illumination. The concentrated beam floods pipe walls, illuminating distant targets for maximum clarity. The system can store up to 16 GB of video and still images on a micro SD card, while the monitor unlocks for wireless viewing at distances up to 32 feet. 866/936-8476; www.envirosight.com, Expo booth 1130.

RapidView IBAK North America

The LISY 3 lateral launch inspection robot from RapidView IBAK North America is designed to travel 500 feet up a mainline sewer, inserting a pan-and-tilt camera and inspecting as much as 100 feet up the lateral line. The modular launching system can be attached to an existing mainline crawler, reducing the need for redundant equipment. 800/656-4225; www.rapidview.com, Expo booth 2130.

Vivax-Metrotech Corp.

The vCam inspection system from Vivax-Metrotech Corp. includes modular control module with 8-inch color LCD monitor, dual-frequency transmitting sonde, digital recording to the internal hard drive or SD card, full-function keyboard, internal microphone, AC/DC power, rechargeable batteries, USB interface, video and audio RCA jacks, distance counter and camera LED brightness control. The control module's modular design makes it field serviceable. The system can inspect pipe from 3 to 12 inches in diameter from distances of 60 to 400 feet. 800/446-3392; www.vxmt.com, Expo booth 4032.

#### General Pipe Cleaners/ Div. of General Wire Spring

The Gen-Eye X-POD inspection system from General Pipe Cleaners combines the 24-inch compact frame of the MINI-POD with a standard size Gel-Rod and self-leveling camera. The system is designed to inspect 3- to 10-inch pipes in lines up to 100 feet long. Features include 7-inch LCD color monitor with padded case, picture inverter, steel frame that can be operated vertically or horizontally, AC and DC power cords, LED dimmer control, 3-inch trap skid, 512 Hz trans-



















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mitter and video-out connection for recording to an external device. 800/245-6200; www.drainbrain.com/pod, Expo booth 6077.

RS Technical Services Inc.
The TranSTAR II steerable tractor and TrakSTAR II zoom
camera from RS Technical Services Inc. are designed to inspect 6- to
30-inch lined sanitary and storm sewer pipelines. Mounted together
the units measure 20 inches long. The tractor has two 90-watt motors and can inspect pipelines at up to 65 fpm. The six-wheel-drive
unit can turn on its own axis and has freewheel for quick retrieval.
Multiple wheel types and optional camera lift are available. The
pan-and-tilt camera features a 16-bit digital signal processor, 360degree rotation, 32 linear light settings, onscreen camera data display and prompts for setting calibration, as well as programmable
home positions for the camera head. 800/767-1974;
www.rstechserv.com, Expo booth 4069.

Remote Vision/JLF Enterprises LLC
The Remote Vision System portable, pole-m

The Remote Vision System portable, pole-mounted, battery-operated camera inspection system from JLF Enterprises LLC is designed for inspecting manholes, vaults, tanks and other confined or hazardous areas. The system can be used in light or dark conditions, in water or out, overhead or underground. Systems include camera, cable, monitor, carrying case, 18-foot telescoping pole, onboard batteries and power cords. 612/221-6690;

www.remotevisionsystem.com, Expo booth 4020.

Forbest Products Co.
The FB-PIC3188D portable sewer/drain basic inspection
system from Forbest Products Co. includes a 7-inch LCD monitor with
built-in DVR, CCD color camera and 65-foot fiberglass push cable
(100- and 130-foot cables available). 650/757-4786;
www.forbestusa.net, Expo booth 4150.

#### Cobra Technologies

The 8-inch wheeled transporter from Cobra Technologies is designed for the inspection of 7- to 60-inch diameter pipe. The low-profile transporter offers maximum ground clearance and easily maneuvers through 8-inch lined pipe. Features include electric-tooth clutch wired in parallel with the motor for automatic freewheel capability. When power is removed, freewheel is automatically selected for quick recovery. Using wheels and remote elevator, the transporter can inspect pipes up to 60 inches in diameter. High-traction carbide wheels are offered as an option for use in PVC and lined pipe. Measuring 20 inches in length, including the Cobra PTZ camera, other transporter features include solid bronze body for optimum weight/power configuration. A lightweight aluminum model is available. 800/443-3761; www.cobratec.com, Expo booth 7061.

#### PIPE, MANHOLE REPAIR

Cretex Specialty Products

The Pro-Ring manhole grade adjustment system from Cretex Specialty Products is designed to replace concrete rings and brick in the construction of manhole chimneys. Made of expanded polypropylene, the ring is engineered to seal chimneys from inflow and infiltration. It is HS-25 load rated and weighs one-tenth that of concrete. The ring can be adjusted in 1/4-inch increments, eliminating the need for shims and mortar. 800/345-3764;

www.cretexseals.com/products/pro-ring.php, Expo booth 9149.

Avanti International

AV-100 chemical grout from Avanti International is an ultra-low viscosity, chemically activated gel, available in either powder or liquid. Having the same viscosity as water, the grout quickly permeates the substrate and cures to form a matrix with the soil and porous rock, creating a long-lasting water barrier and soil stabilizer. It has been used in probe grouting, remote packer grouting, curtain

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Parson Environmental Products Inc.

Seal-Tite two-component, moisture-insensitive, fast-reacting polyurethane grout from Parson Environmental Products Inc. is designed to stop active leaks up to 50 gpm in manholes, pump stations and other wastewater structures. The chemically resistant formula cures to a dense, rigid mass in approximately 30 seconds. The sealant is packaged in a dual cartridge with static mixer and is injected at or near the source of the leak using a manual, dual-compartment caulk gun. The product contains no solvents, CFCs or HFCs. 800/356-9023; www.parsonenvironmental.com, Expo booth 6075.

Infratech Infrastructure Technologies Inc.
The MONOFORM ABS interior manhole forming system from Infratech Infrastructure Technologies Inc. is designed for the pouring of new concrete walls and bases for complete rehabilitation of existing manhole structures. Engineered to exceed H-20 traffic loading requirements, restoration is completed without traffic detours, external sewage bypassing and disruption to adjacent utilities. Custom forms are available for larger structures, including lift station rehab or retrofit. 800/533-4244; www.infratechonline.com, Expo booth 9059.

Sealing Systems Inc.

Flex-Seal Utility Sealant from Sealing Systems Inc. is a plural-component aromatic urethane, featuring 800 percent elongation and tensile strength of 3,200 psi. The sealant is designed to prevent inflow/infiltration and provide corrosion protection at the grade adjustment ring or joint section, as well as provide protection from hydrogen sulfide and salt. The internal seal is manually applied using





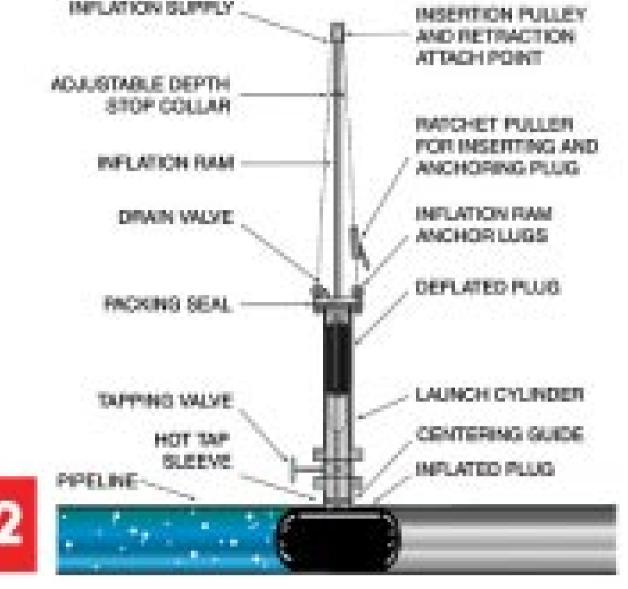














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a paintbrush. The kit is made to cover 12 vertical inches on a 27-inch diameter manhole. The sealant meets ASTM vacuum test standards.

\*\*The Adapt-a-Valve inspection chamber from the content of the inspection of the content of the diameter manhole. The sealant meets ASTM vacuum test standards. 800/478-2054; www.ssisealingsystems.com, Expo booth 165.

16 Vaporooter

The Jet Set Commander applicator from Vaporooter is designed for the application of Sanafoam Vaporooter II, a chemical root-control product formulated to eliminate roots and resulting blockages in sewer systems. The applicator can be installed on most hydrojetters or combination sewer deaning trucks with front-, midor rear-mounted reel. It can be easily removed when not in use and can be installed on a standard receiver hitch or chassis in place of a toolbox. The applicator can be factory installed or added as an aftermarket option, 816/781-4250; www.vaporooter.com, Expo booth 4126.

TRIC Tools Inc.

The X30 lateral bursting unit from TRIC Tools Inc. features 30 tons of pulling force in an 80-pound unit. The system offers an extra margin of strength for bursting pipes 6 inches in diameter and less. The unit is available with an 80-pound, heavy-duty pulley base or 50-pound standard resistance plate. 888/883-8742;

www.trictools.com, Expo booth 103.

PipeLogix Inc.

The re-branded PIPELOGIX Version 6.4 (formerly flexidata) survey software from PipeLogix Inc. features formats from NASSCO for LACP, PACP and the revamped MACP with inspection level 1 and 2. The 3D Measurement Tool in the 360 Manhole Module enables users to select, outline and measure pipe connecting to the manhole as well as cracks or other conditions. The colored graphic and measurements can be turned on or off in the 360 Viewer, allowing a picture of the displayed graphic with measurement to be saved as a report that can be shared. 866/299-3150; www.pipelogix.com, Expo booth 158.

The Adapt-a-Valve inspection chamber from Mainline Backflow Products Inc. is typically installed at the municipal property line. The chamber features an optional "open-gate" or "closed-gate" design and has a "test gate" that can be used for pressure testing during installation or to isolate property for pressure deaning or non-payment of services. The chamber comes with 4-inch gasketed ends with 8-inch riser and constructed to SDR26, heavy-wall PVC sewer specifications. The optional lightweight gates offer little to no flow restrictions, but can withstand 50 psi backpressure. Options include a cap and collar for the inspection chamber. Caps come in red, green or blue to help differentiate service lines. The caps also have a locking nut and pressure-reducing screw for safer maintenance. 780/413-7204; www.backwatervalve.com, Expo booth 7070.

#### PLUGS

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Securimax multisize, reinforced plugs for line acceptance testing, flow-through plugs for bypass pumping or flow diversion and flexible push plugs for laterals from Logiball Inc. are made with multiple piles of reinforcement and factory tested at pressures equivalent to twice the maximum recommended inflation. Plugs come with anchoring devices, and if damaged, can be factory re-sleeved. 800/246-5988; www.logiball.com, Expo booth 7114.

Vanderlans and Sons Inc.

Lansas Multisize Interchange plugs from Vanderlans and Sons Inc. are designed to keep work flowing and manholes dry during rehabilitation. The bypasses can be quickly changed to connect to a rigid pipe using the supplied flanged or NPT ends or optional Super-Flow ends for flexible hose. Plugs are available from 4 to 24 inches in diameter. Custom and single-size plugs are available. 800/452-4902; www.lansas.com, Expo booth 37.

Petersen Products Co.

The Inflatable Line Stop Plug from Petersen Products Co. is designed to plug a pressurized pipeline. The plug is installed by attaching a tapping sleeve, full-port valve and making a tap. The Line Stop Plug Launch Cylinder is attached to the tapping valve and opened to equalize pressure. The plug is then pushed into place and inflated, 262/692-2416; www.pipeplug.com, Expo booth 4136.

Savatech Corp.

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#### LEAK DETECTION, SAFETY

Hurco Technologies Inc.

The PowerSmoker 2 leak detection system from Hurco Technologies Inc. utilizes indoor-safe and laboratory-tested LiquiSmoke to identify leaks in new plumbing construction prior to inspection and to locate sewer odors. The smoker leaves no residue or odor. All smoke is exhausted through the plumbing out the vent stack. 800/888-1436; www.gethurco.com, Expo booth 41.

Superior Signal Company LLC

The 5E electric smoker from Superior Signal Company LLC is designed for hard-to-find leaks and odors. The unit weighs 8 pounds and is available in 110-volt AC or 12-volt DC. The smoker connects to any cleanout or vent and can be set up in minutes. Smoke candles for 30 seconds to three minutes for residential and



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commercial testing units are available. 800/945-8378; www.superiorsignal.com, Expo booth 6141.

#### BW Technologies by Honeywell

The GasAlert Max XT II portable four-gas detector from BW Technologies by Honeywell combines simple operation with an integrated, high-flow SmartSample sampling pump for reliable performance and protection in confined spaces and other hazardous areas. The unit features one-button operation, a go/no-go interface and automated compliance for fewer operational errors and reduced training time. The UL and CSA approved unit alerts users to carbon monoxide, hydrogen sulfide, oxygen levels, methane and other flammable gases. Compatible with the MicroDock II docking station, an automated test and calibration device are available as an accessory, it can be connected to a PC for greater control and as a safeguard for compliance concerns. Tamper-proof, user-adjustable options enable the gas detector to be customized for any application. 888/749-8878; www.gasmonitors.com, Expo booth 6147.

#### **JETTERS**

Cam Spray
The STB2712H waterjetter from Cam Spray produces 12 gpm at 2,700 psi. Powered by a 27 hp Honda engine, features include powder-coated, full-metal deck trailer with road-ready lights and brakes, 300-gallon water tank with auto shutoff, 400 feet of 1/2-inch hose on a DC-powered reel with remote foot switch, 150 feet of garden hose and 2-inch hydrant fill. Available models include 7 gpm at 4,000 psi, 8 gpm at 3,700 psi and 12 gpm at 2,700 psi. 800/648-5011; www.camspray.com, Expo booth 3069.

Spartan Tool LLC

The Ultimate Warrior trailer jetter from Spartan Tool LLC is designed to deliver 4,000 psi and 18 gpm of water for cleaning pipes up to 24 inches in diameter. Compliant with National Association of Trailer Manufacturers standards, the fully enclosed jetter is powered by an 84 hp Kubota engine and features a Giant brand pump and 600-gallon water tank. 888/876-2371; www.spartantool.com, Expo booth 1170.

John Bean Sprayers/Durand-Wayland Inc.

The model 7030D trailer jetter from John Bean Sprayers/Durand-Wayland Inc. delivers 40 gpm at 3,000 psi. Powered by a 99 hp Kubota turbo-diesel engine, the jetter features a Bean L1114SC pump. Designed for larger stormwater and sewer pipes, options include a dual hose reel for smaller applications. 800/241-2308; www.johnbeansprayers.com, Expo booth 2017.

#### REELS, HOSES

Piranha Hose Products Inc.

Slither jetting hoses from Piranha Hose Products Inc. feature an ultraslick cover that enables the hose to snake around and through difficult bends in residential and industrial sewer applications. The hoses are available in Series SLSPOR orange, 2,500 psi, I.D. sizes 5/8 to 1 1/2 inches; Series SLLBU blue, 3,000 psi, I.D. size 1/2 inch, and Series SLHPBU blue, 3,000 psi, I.D. sizes 3/4 to 1 inch. Also available are Series SLGR green, 4,000 psi, I.D. sizes 1/8 to 1/2 inch; black 4,000 psi Series SLSHBK in 1/2- and 5/8-inch I.D. sizes; Series SLLHBK in 1/2-inch I.D. and Series SLRD red, 5,000 psi in 1/4-, 3/8- and 1/2-inch I.D. Hoses 1/8, 3/16, 1/4, 5/16 and 3/8 inches have a temperature rating of 160 degrees F. Hoses 1/2, 5/8, 3/4 and 1 inches have a rating of 150 degrees F. 800/250-5132; www.piranhahose.com, Expo booth 6123.

Reelcraft Industries Inc.

The DP7000 Series dual-pedestal reel from Reelcraft Industries Inc. features a two-piece, non-welded, interlocking base. Other

features include steel-formed and stamped-base design for strong, compact assembly and vibration resistance. Reels are available with up to 50 feet of 1/2-inch I.D. hose. 800/444-3134; www.reelcraft.com, Expo booth 7128.

#### NOZZLES, PUMPS

ENZ USA Inc.

The 10.125TR/10.125TR-US turbine-driven rooter cutter nozzle from ENZ USA Inc. can be used with both clean and recycled water in 5- through 12-inch pipes. The nozzle also can remove grease, solid and semi-solid sediments, mineral deposits, concrete, grout wash and other debris. A variety of attachments are available. The nozzle requires a 3/4- or 1-inch hose connection and is available on a larger skid body with 6- to 10-inch extension skids.

630/692-7880; www.enzusainc.com, Expo booth 67.

NozzTeq Inc.

The BL SWIPER sewer nozzle from NozzTeq Inc. features a green poly exterior shell and stainless steel internal tubes that loop the water along air channels, increasing airflow and jet stream length inside the pipe. The nozzle is designed for 12- to 36-inch pipes. A smaller version for 8- to 18-inch pipes is available. 866/620-5915; www.nozzteg.com, Expo booth 8181.

USB-Sewer Equipment Corp.

High-quality sewer cleaning nozzles with Optimized 3D Hydro Mechanics from USB-Sewer Equipment Corp. are precision engineered according to DIN EN 9001:2000 standards. Water from the pressurized hose is diverted by a cone piece and guided into the hydro channels, preventing turbulence in the nozzle chamber. The nozzles are manufactured in one piece under Tier 4 standards. 770/984-8880; www.usbsec.com, Expo booth 51.





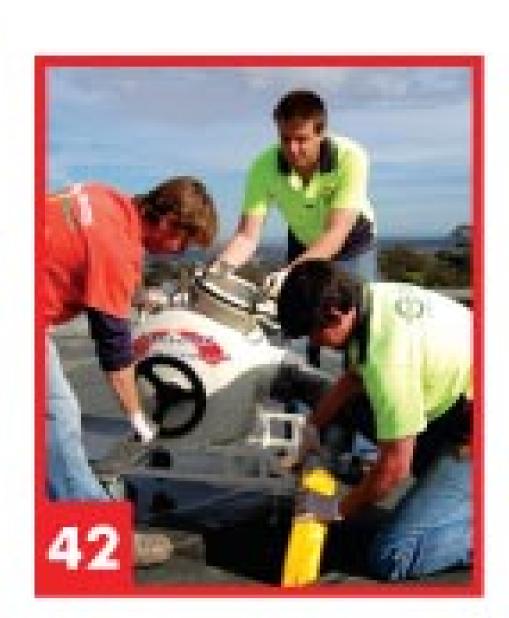














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#### 35 StoneAge Inc.

The Banshee cleaning tool from StoneAge Inc. is designed to clean tubes from 1/2-inch to 2-inches I.D. The straight-flow-designed tube cleaner delivers 2,000 to 40,000 psi. Maintenance-free, the nozzle uses high-pressure water as a liquid bearing, eliminating the need for seals, oils or ball bearings. Replaceable head options include unplugger, polisher, universal and custom. 970/259-2869; www.stoneagetools.com, Expo booth 4133.

#### Cat Pumps

High-performance 5CP5140 triplex plunger pumps from Cat Pumps offer enhanced deaning on the 5CP frame. Rated at 5.5 gpm, 3,500 psi and 1,500 rpm, the compact pump is designed for the small space requirements of hydraulic-drive, truck-mount cleaning systems, gas gearbox direct-mount systems, conventional belt-drive systems or portable jetting units. Features include forge brass manifold and V-Packing high-pressure seal. Models include 5CP5140 pump, 5CP5140G1 pump with gearbox, 5HYD5140 pump with hydraulic motor, base and accessories, and 5CP5140J pump with Mag-Jet jetting valve. 763/780-5440; www.catpumps.com, Expo booth 4068.

#### 37 Hydra-Tech Pumps

The expanded line of 3-, 4- and 6-inch hydraulically driven submersible shredder pumps from Hydra-Tech Pumps features variable-speed pumping and violet shredding action. Other features include carbide-tipped impellers and hardened-steel serrated suction plates designed to shred rags, sticks, straw, plastic bottles and other waste. The mechanical seal is isolated from the wetted area and oil lubricated for extended life, even in run-dry events. The cast-iron bodied pumps can run off any open center hydraulic power source. The 6inch model delivers up to 1,000 gpm with heads to 170 feet. The 3-inch model accepts hydraulic flows as low as 8 gpm with pressure to 2,500 psi. The low-profile 4- and 3-inch pumps both fit in a 21-inch manhole, 570/645-3779; www.hydra-tech.com, Expo booth 9303.

Flow-Liner Systems Ltd.
The Neofit act 11 The Neofit potable pipe lining system from Flow-Liner Systems Ltd. is designed for lead, copper, polyethylene, PVC or steel water service lines from 1/2- to 1 1/2-inch I.D. The flexible PET liner is pulled through the pipe and expanded, forming a thin-walled protective barrier. The lining system is NSF/ANSI 61-G certified. 800/348-0020; www.flow-liner.com, Expo booth 7141.

#### Formadrain Inc.

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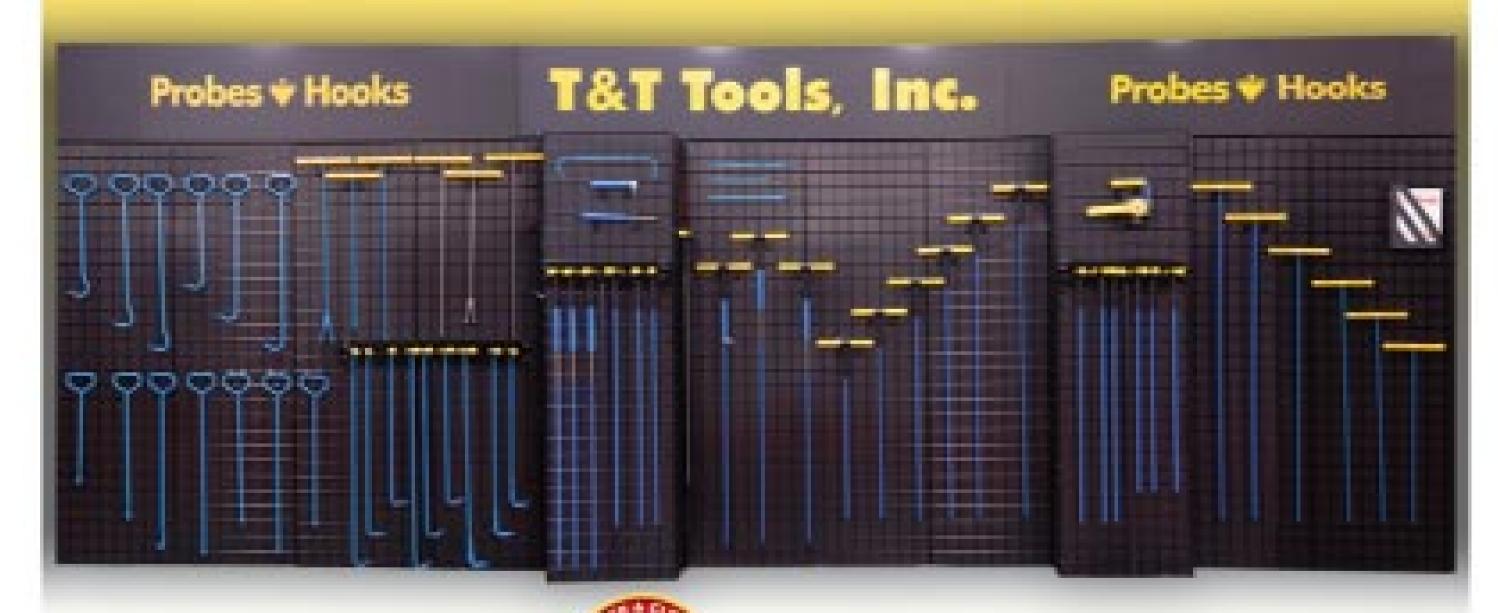


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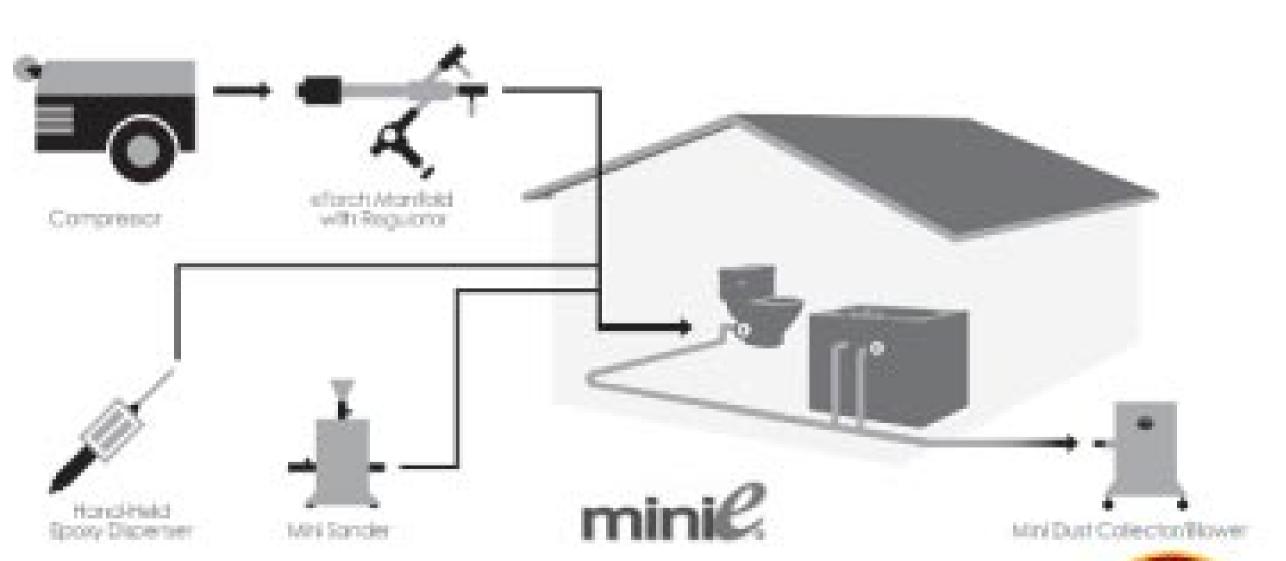
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Chesterton Stormwater Utility staff worked with Chesterton High School students on graphic design projects. From left, Jennifer Gadzala, MS4 operator; Jessica Lohse, high school sophomore; Jannon Jeffries, high school senior, and Kirsten Renehan, high school art teacher. (Photography by Daniel Bruhn)







# ALWAYS AN EDUCATOR

Whether working with developers or mentoring middle school students, Chesterton's Jennifer Gadzala makes an impact on stormwater quality

By Scottie Dayton

Chesterton Middle School science teacher Samantha Hayes, left, and Jennifer Gadzala prepare a water sample for testing along Coffee Creek.

levating a stormwater quality management plan from the industry template to a dynamic program was a challenge relished by Jennifer Gadzala, MS4 operator in Chesterton, Ind.

To help developers and contractors comply with town ordinances, Gadzala works with them throughout the construction process, does post-construction follow-ups, and even walks sites to identify potential improvements. Along the way, she revised construction requirements to reduce paperwork and simplify the process.

Her efforts have helped lead to installation and proper maintenance of numerous best management practices that help reduce runoff pollution to the area's waterways.

In her free time, Gadzala mentorsgirlsinterested in science, technology, engineering and math. Helping them prepare for their futures gave her the idea of combining education and outreach programs with student career goals. "I wanted them to learn more than just the water-quality message," she says. "I wanted to give them a taste of working in the real world on actual campaigns."

High school teachers and the community rallied to the cause. From 2008 to 2010, students created the town's watershed signs, a Keep Chesterton Beautiful logo, and a video on how litter contributes to water pollution. In 2009, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management recognized Chesterton's MS4 program for excellence.

#### Under construction

Chesterton, a town of 12,000, lies 50 miles southeast of Chicago, near Indiana Dunes State Park. Its 9.4 square miles touch seven subwatersheds within the Lake Michigan watershed.

A cumulative sewer fund addresses individual flood-control cases, while a stormwater fee generates \$430,000 annually for waterquality programs. The Street Department maintains Chesterton's 40 miles of separate stormwater pipes, 111 outfalls, and more than 500 manholes.

Private entities own many best management practice facilities. They include seven wetland systems, one bioretention pond, three lakes encompassing three to 14 acres, seven infiltration swales, one section of porous pavement, two underground stormwater chambers, multiple stormwater separators, one green roof, and a level spreader system (see sidebar).

To persuade developers and contractors to comply with town ordinances, Gadzala began providing one-on-one assistance and unifying construction requirements. The utility created a construction project packet with checklists, guidance, and application forms.

After reviewing the paperwork and

# PROFILE: Storm Water Utility, Chesterton, Ind.

FOUNDED: 1989

POPULATION: 12,000

SERVICE AREA: 9.4 square miles

EMPLOYEES:

ANNUAL RAINFALL: 37 inches

INFRASTRUCTURE: 40 miles of stormwater collection and conveyance, 111 outfalls, 500+ storm manholes

**OPERATING BUDGET:** \$430,000 (water quality)

WEBSITE:

www.chestertonin.org



#### ENGINEERING SUCCESS

Coffee Creek Center, a newer development in Chesterton, Ind., is protecting and enhancing the 15-square-mile Coffee Creek watershed by using best management practices. Its most ambitious effort coordinated with the Coffee Creek Watershed Conservancy, a 167-acre preserve in Chesterton.

"This is our only hilly area, and runoff from roads and parking lots was polluting Coffee Creek, raising water temperatures, and harming the biological community," says Jennifer Gadzala, MS4 operator for the town.

JFNew and Associates of Walkerton, Ind., and Conservation Design Forum of Elmhurst, Ill., designed an underground storage system known as level spreaders and tied it to ponds and expanses of restored prairie to control and treat the runoff.

The sequential infiltration system directs stormwater to exfiltration manholes spaced along distribution pipes, then to a fingered network of perforated detention pipes for storage and percolation. The overflow enters a pond. When the water level exceeds the pond's capacity, the excess spills through a manifold system onto the restored prairie.

Water in the distribution system enters a transmission pipe that feeds laterals to the upper two level spreaders. The horizontal spreaders are installed flush in a hill that drains away from the pond. If the topmost pipe fills faster than water can drain through the perforations, it spills out through an open grating covering the pipe and runs down to the next spreader. The process repeats through 10 rows spaced 12 inches or more apart, depending upon the slope of the hill. The hill is planted in prairie vegetation.

approving the development's stormwater pollution prevention plan, Gadzala holds a preconstruction meeting to discuss requirements and maintenance expectations.

"In 2008, we required developers of new properties to create a post-construction narrative for all stormwater management structures," says Gadzala. "It's basically a maintenance plan that became very successful."

The plan for commercial developments stays with the owner and explains how often structures should be checked and cleaned. Property owner associations retain residential development plans and are responsible for maintaining structures' capacity, clearing the pipes, and keeping the water trash-free.

#### Guiding hand

Besides working with developers and contractors throughout the construction process and doing a post-construction follow-up, Gadzala spends hours walking sites to identify potential improvements. "Construction is down right now," she says, "Some sites are mostly vacant, but they all have disturbed soil. The contractors worked hard to lay down ground cover last fall, but if I point out areas needing a little more work, I can help them remain compliant."

Gadzala's most challenging best management project was a new school gymnasium. The Little Calumet River was just north of the three-acre site, and the building sat atop a deep ravine running to the floodplain. "An area to the east collected a lot of water, and we weren't expecting it to run through the disturbed site with such velocity," she says.

As construction proceeded, Gadzala noticed that water was tearing down straw bales, wattles and silt fences, allowing soil to erode. The site also had a new half-acre detention pond that was discharging at the top of the ravine.

"We sought solutions within the project's budget," says Gadzala. "It became apparent that redirecting the flow was too expensive. We worked with the developer and created a swale with three check dams between the gymnasium and the woods to slow and contain the water before it hit the ravine." important to residents at the time.

"I'm a dog owner, and seeing people not pick up after their pets motivated me to launch a Let's Talk About Poop campaign in 2009," says Gadzala. "We bought doggie bag dispensers that attach to leashes, designed a logo for the dispensers, and created a double-sided postcard explaining why cleaning up pet waste is healthy for humans and the environment." At Bark in the Park, a day of games and races with dogs, Gadzala handed out 400 dispensers.

In spring 2010, she began a Leave It On The Lawn campaign that stressed the benefits of allowing grass clippings to decompose in situ. "The Street Department hauled 320 tons of clippings to its compost facility in 2008 and 2009, traveling more than 1,362 miles

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#### Reasonable expectations

When Gadzala joined the utility in 2006, she evaluated the six minimum control measures of the stormwater quality management plan for what was and wasn't doable. For education and outreach, she obtained materials from the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, but the information didn't always focus on what she believed was

and costing taxpayers \$3,800," says Gadzala.

A newspaper insert on the subject reached 4,800 homes, while brochures were left in a box at the compost facility. On weekends, Paul Thorpe, a seasonal Street Department employee, hands brochures to people arriving with clippings.

#### School days

In 2007, Gadzala approached

Chesterton Middle School with the idea of creating a four-week water-quality and conservation unit for seventh grade science students. Working with science teacher Samantha Hayes, Gadzala developed the Watersheds and Non-Point Source Education Unit.

One idea was to teach students the fundamentals of testing water downstream from farms and developments. Hayes collected the samples, and 165 students tested them for dissolved oxygen, phosphates, nitrates, pH, and turbidity to determine which land uses contrib-

uted the most pollutants.

"We always change the final assignment," says Gadzala. "In 2008, the kids made information boards from their test results, then talked about what they had learned at a town council meeting. In 2009, they designed brochures that we put in the library and school administration office. Last year, they wrote news articles."

Each year, the curriculum changes a little. For 2011, pupils also sampled for *E. coli*, then used



Watersheds and Non-Point Source Field Day, May 12, 2010.

math skills to graph the information. They pulled garlic mustard, an invasive species, and cooked it in the classroom. "Yes, garlic mustard is bad in the environment, but early settlers used it in cooking and for its supposed medicinal properties," says Gadzala.

#### In the field

Gadzala designed the course to end with an all-day field trip. Made possible by the assistance of local partners, it simulates how scientists work in the field and enables students to use skills learned in the classroom.

At Coffee Creek Park, Save the Dunes volunteer Erin Crofton helped the group test Coffee Creek's water quality. Volunteer Jennifer Nebe taught the youngsters how to build a rain garden, and they also pulled garlic mustard and Canada thistle.





Jennifer Gadzala and Jannon Jeffries discuss the attractiveness of a watershed sign design.

Students also collected more than 300 pieces of garbage from roadsides and toured the Chesterton Wastewater Treatment Plant. Finally, wetland expert Steve Barker led the group through the Coffee Creek Watershed Conservancy. He discussed the role of wetlands in watersheds and the plants, animals and insects found there. Joe Exl, a volunteer from the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, kick-sampled the stream bottom to collect



macroinvertebrates, then explained how they indicate water quality.

#### Real-world experiences

In 2009, when the utility sponsored a contest for Chesterton residents to design a watershed awareness poster, 14 of the 15 designs submitted came from Chesterton High School art students. A public vote chose junior Jannon Jeffries' design, which was ultimately printed as signs. Street commissioner John Schnadenberg and his staff helped coordinate the sign placements.

The contest gave Gadzala more ideas. In spring 2010, she approached art teacher Kirsten Renehan and proposed treating her students as if they were graphic designers in an advertising agency. Gadzala, the client, would hire them to create a logo for the utility's Keep Chesterton Beautiful campaign.

"I told the students about the campaign goals and what I was looking for, then critiqued the designs," Gadzala says. "I picked the logo by sophomore Jessica Lohse. It appears on our campaign literature and website."

Gadzala also worked with high school video teacher Matthew Waters. "As the client, I wanted a 30-second educational video on litter reduction and recycling that tied into the Keep Chesterton Beautiful campaign," says Gadzala. "Teams submitted their work, and I chose one written and produced by Jake Webb, Kristen Pesut and Mike Lara." The video is on the town's website.

Gadzala has learned never to assume that people are interested in water quality. To reach the unreachable, she has found innovative ways to inform and educate, going above the standard templates to excellence. •

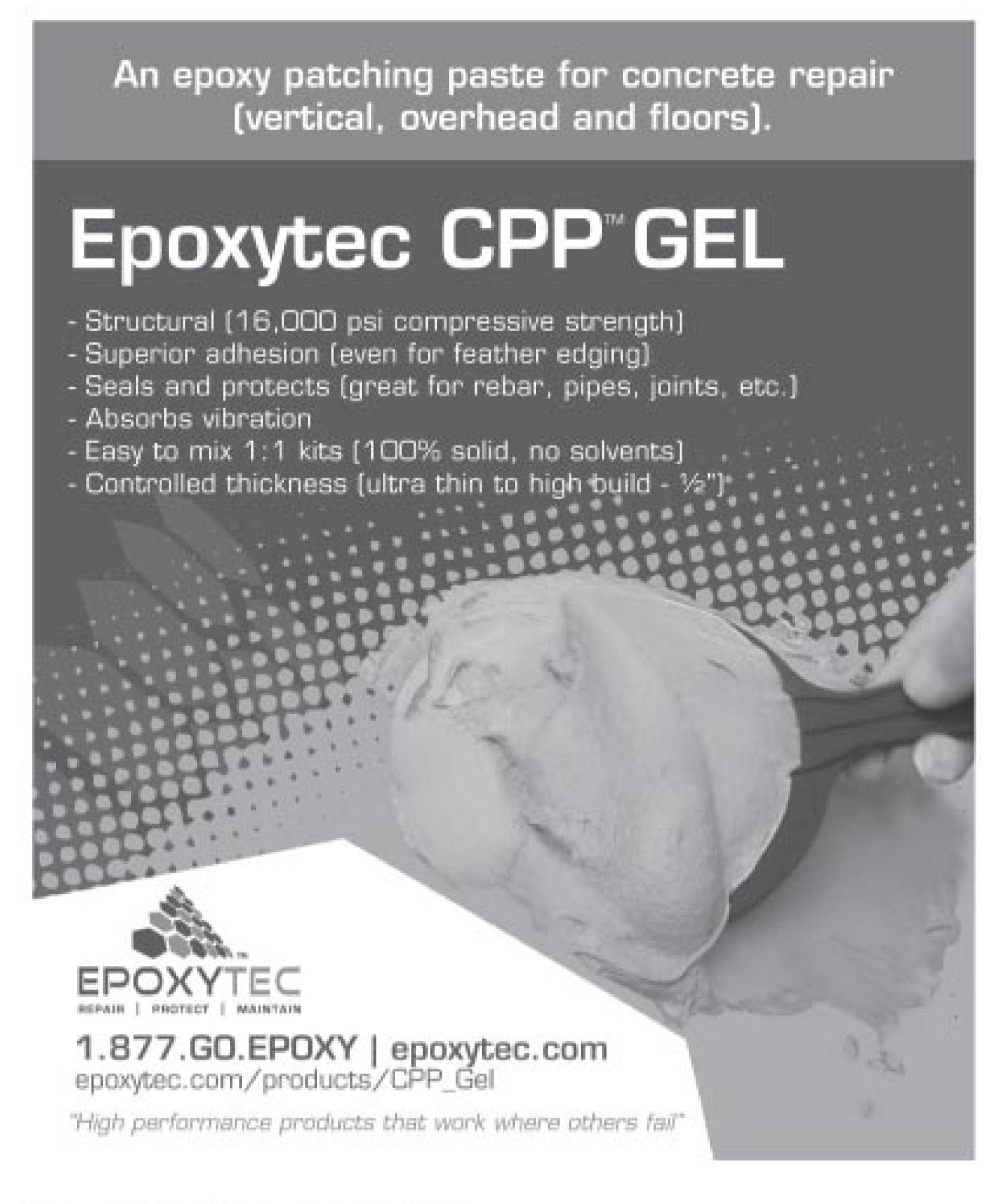
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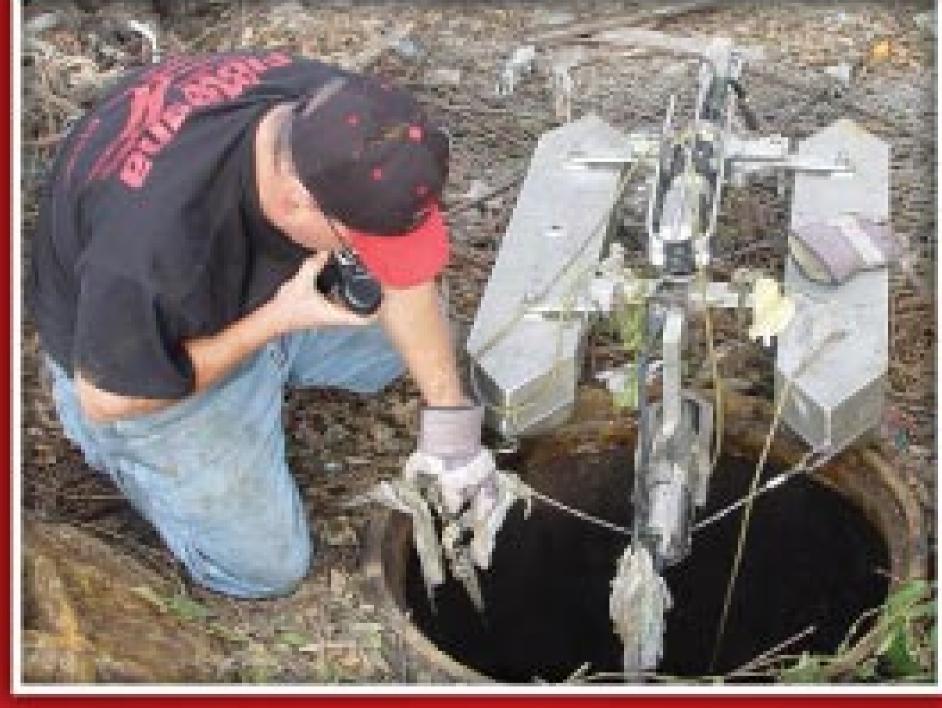






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# LETTING THE LIGHT SHINE

The Explorer Zoom pan-and-tilt camera from UEMSI includes onboard LED lighting that makes it easier to see in large pipes

By Erik Gunn

echnology has produced continuous improvements in sewer video cameras, enhancing their capabilities. Larger pipes especially challenge inspection crews because they require far more light for inspection operators to see defects adequately. UEMSI has introduced the Explorer Zoom pan-and-tilt camera with three noteworthy features:

- Advanced lighting to inspect larger-diameter lines without auxiliary lighting.
- Capacity for an extended cable, allowing inspection runs up to 4,000 feet.



The zoom/pan/tilt camera head allows the operator to look closely at lateral junctions within the main sewer line.

 A universal electronic interface that allows the unit to be connected to most other camera manufacturers' video systems.

That third capability means communities can use the camera without also investing in a separate new control system and inspection truck.

Frank McGuinn, national sales manager for UEMSI, and employees of customer Pipe-View LLC demonstrated the camera in Ingleside, Ill., on Nov. 11.

#### Walk-around

The Explorer Zoom pan-andtilt camera is 16.25 inches long with an outer diameter of 3 inches for the body and 4 inches for the rotating camera head. The camera head can rotate 360 degrees continuously and can pan a 270degree arc.

The 380,000-pixel imaging system is equipped with 10:1 optical and 4:1 digital zoom capability. The camera also has an auto-focus lens with a manual override and an auto-iris with manual override to control the light level of the images.

A key feature of the camera is a system of four LED lights that



The Explorer Zoom pan-and-tilt camera is mounted on a UEMSI Prowler wheeled tractor unit. (Photography by David Hoel)

"When it comes to camera pictures, lighting is everything."

Frank McGuinn

surround the lens. The lenses for the lights can be easily interchanged in the field by removing the faceplate on the camera with a Torx (star-shaped) screwdriver. As demonstrated, the unit had two clear lenses (the equivalent of high-beam lights on a car) and two lenses with a diffuser pattern that scatters the light (essentially a low-beam setting).

When in operation, the camera can be run with all four LEDs on, enabling a much clearer view in larger pipes than is usually possible without auxiliary lighting. The operator also can shut off two of the lights at a time, such as to prevent the light from washing out an image when at very close range to the pipe wall.

The unit comes with a handheld wired remote to control the camera's functions, including zoom, pan, tilt, focus and lighting. A home button brings the camera back to a straight-ahead position

#### TECHNOLOGY TEST DRIVE

EQUIPMENT:

Explorer Zoom pan-and-tilt camera

MANUFACTURER:

UEMSI, Menomonee Falls, Wis. 800/666-0766 www.uemsi.com

LOCATION OF DEMO: Ingleside, III.

DEMONSTRATED BY: Frank McGuinn, UEMSI;

Todd Bates, Pipe-View LLC

LIST PRICE:

\$14,900 as demonstrated (camera only)

after the operator has used the pan-and-tilt functions to inspect all around the pipe. The unit also can be wired to control whatever tractor or crawler the camera is mounted on.

#### Operation

The demonstration was conducted during work on a contract in which Pipe-View was hired to do a routine preventive maintenance inspection of about 60,000 feet of sewer lines in the Village of Ingleside. An inspection crew led by operator Todd Bates of Pipe-View lowered the Explorer unit into a manhole on a sewer line



The Explorer Zoom system includes advanced lighting to inspect larger-diameter lines without auxiliary lighting and has capacity for an extended cable, allowing inspection runs up to 4,000 feet.

60-pound UEMSI Prowler crawler with four 10-inch balloon tires and elevated to a total height of about 15 inches on a gantry, bringing the camera to the center of the pipe.

Bates ran the inspection from a truck Pipe-View originally acquired as part of its purchase of another company's camera system. The functions of the camera were controlled with UEMSI's handheld remote, connected to the camera via cable.

To control the motor of the crawler, meanwhile, Bates used the system control board already mounted at the truck's workstation. The camera's imaging cable was hooked into the truck's onboard

Camera operator Todd Bates of Pipe-View LLC observes images from the Explorer Zoom camera as it proceeds through the sewer line.

running parallel to a road just south of State Highway 138. From a single entrance point, the team planned to inspect a 1,000-foot stretch of 30-inch concrete sewer, without stopping to remove the camera.

"We're doing anywhere from 8- to 36-inch sewers," Bates said. "There's a big portion of 30-inch sewer that we're on right now." The camera was mounted on a video monitoring system — it did not require its own monitor. Using the control board, Bates sent the camera forward through the pipe, running 30 feet a minute.

The light from the camera flooded the sewer line, producing clear, well-defined images. Passing through a segment of the line where steam clouded the image because it scattered the bright light, Bates cut the illumination back by shutting off two of the four LED lamps. The reduced lighting gave a sharper view, in the same way dimming a car's headlights can make it easier to see on a foggy night.

At 390 feet down the line, Bates paused the crawler to examine a lateral service entering the line from above at about the 2 o'clock position. Using the remote control, he panned the camera up to look at the opening, rotating the camera head as well to better orient the image. He zoomed in

lems with them in terms of reliability, which is a big thing," he said.

Bates said he has found the home control on the remote unit particularly handy, making it easier to resume an inspection quickly after pausing to examine a lateral junction. "I can hit that home button and go," he said. He also liked the camera's weight, which he said is about half that of some comparable units he has used.

Bates said the camera's lighting has lived up to its promise. The lights themselves don't get hot in

The unit comes with a handheld wired remote to control the camera's functions, including zoom, pan, tilt, focus and lighting. A home button brings the camera back to a straight-ahead position after the operator has used the pan-and-tilt functions to inspect all around the pipe.

closer to get a thorough look at the connection.

The image adjusted itself with the auto-focus, and Bates used the remote to refine the image for optimal sharpness. Then, hitting the home button, he quickly restored the camera lens to look straight down the line again.

Using the remote, Bates zoomed the lens deep down the line. The image darkened some because of the degree of zoom. Bates then brought the zoom lens back to its normal setting as the camera continued down the line.

As the inspection progressed, Bates continued to examine each lateral and junction, alternately panning, tilting and zooming the lens, then returning it to its normal position. Throughout, the lighting proved more than adequate to return clear, sharp and detailed images, which Bates recorded in the MPEG file format to save on the truck's hard drive.

#### Observer comments

Pipe-View LLC co-owner Tony Duffy said his company had been using two Explorer pan-and-tilt cameras for several months and was impressed with their hardiness. "We haven't had any probthe manner of some other units he has used. And he found the camera to work adequately without additional lighting in larger pipes.

#### Manufacturer comments

McGuinn said the unit has been successfully used in pipes as large as 72 inches without auxiliary lighting. "When it comes to camera pictures, lighting is everything," he said. Because the lighting in the camera has its own circuitry, if auxiliary lights are used, they can be controlled separately from the control room in the truck, independent of the camera's onboard lights.

McGuinn said the camera also works well in smaller pipes when matched with a suitably sized transporter. He noted that the camera head has a very small profile.

He also observed that the auto-focus feature can be disabled from the remote control. This makes it easier to get high-quality pictures under conditions that confound auto-focus systems, such as when mist and steam are present — a common occurrence in larger pipes.

"In really large pipe, that's a nice feature," said McGuinn. \*







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### ROOTS OF MOTIVATION

Sometimes the best way to get team members fired up is to let them spend time with the people who rely on their services

By Ken Wysocky

extra time off, supervisors are always looking for ways to motivate employees to be more creative and share ideas. Adam Grant has an outside-the-box suggestion: Find ways for your water and sewer maintenance crews to grab some face-time with their customers, as well as with their colleagues in other departments.

An organizational psychologist and professor of management at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, Grant has studied what motivates employees. His findings indicate that when workers meet and talk with customers and colleagues, and realize that what they do benefits real people, that spurs creative thinking.

modern technology makes it easier to work with minimal face-toface communication.

"Sure, minimizing distractions can increase efficiency," Grant says. "But some distractions can be incredibly motivating and provide information about how to do a job better." Grant's interest is largely driven by his own experience. He noticed that while some people always came in early, stayed late, and volunteered for projects, others would do the minimum.

#### An experiment

To help determine what motivates employees Grant conducted a research study in 2008 at a large water treatment operation in the southeastern United States. It cen-

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#### Adam Grant

"A lot of people have jobs that really make a difference in the lives of end users," Grant says. "All products and services are ultimately designed to benefit someone. But not many jobs are designed to connect workers with end users."

Ironically, the isolation of workers from those they serve is driven by efficiency, says Grant. Organizations generally discourage such interaction under the assumption that it makes people and processes less efficient. And tered on employees at 30 to 40 sites with a wide range of responsibilities.

"There were many people working in fragmented locations, so they weren't in contact very much," Grant says. "We wanted to find out what could be done to encourage more idea and knowledge sharing." Employees were asked to fill out online surveys that measured things such as job perceptions, levels of intrinsic motivation, and relationships with co-workers. Supervisors were asked

to rate the employees' creativity.

One finding came as no surprise: Employees who are intrinsically motivated and curious about new ways of doing things come up with lots of great ideas. But for the most part, those concepts were typically impractical to implement.

"On the other hand, the most novel and useful ideas came from employees who were most adept at taking the perspectives of others — thinking about their work from co-workers' points of view, or understanding a supervisor's goals or a customer's needs," Grant says. "It's that active perception-taking that allows them to filter through ideas and select the ideas that are the most practical to apply.

"People who can do both — be intrinsically motivated and put themselves in someone else's shoes — end up becoming the most creative employees and add most to the knowledge they share with others." According to the study, creative ideas included techniques for preventing equipment failures, new pollution-control methods, and new work processes and safety protocols.

#### Meet and greet

So what can supervisors do to increase creativity and idea sharing? Grant says they need to think more broadly. "The upshot for supervisors is that they often think about how to make work more interesting for employees, whether it involves giving them more autonomy to do a job, or provide

We invite readers to offer ideas for this regular column, designed to help municipal and utility managers deal with day-to-day people issues like motivation, team building, recognition and interpersonal relationships. Feel free to share your secrets for building and maintaining a cohesive, productive team. Or ask a question about a specific issue on which you would like advice. Call editor Ted Rulseh at 800/257-7222, or e-mail editor@mswmag.com.

learning opportunities to heighten their interest in work," he says.

"Studies suggest that those are valuable things, but we need to take some additional steps to translate ideas to others, like hiring more employees who naturally tend to take the viewpoints of others."

Supervisors can accomplish this by asking specific screening questions during job interviews, or by having job candidates perform short tasks that would indicate an aptitude for considering others' viewpoints.

For current employees supervisors should nurture more interaction by enabling employees to meet with the beneficiaries of their work or, at the very least, foster more employee empathy by communicating to them the urgency of problems that customers or coworkers face.

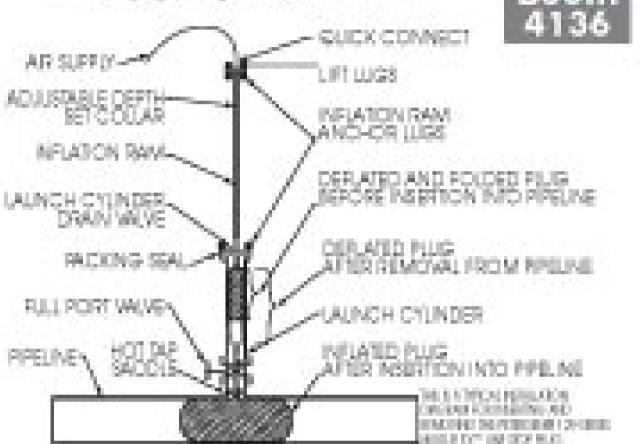
"You also can train people — get them in the habit of walking in other people's shoes more often and more effectively," Grant says. "One way to do that is through job rotation. Doing various jobs for a couple weeks at a time allows employees to see all the tasks an organization does, and it also creates more interaction between people whose work is interdependent.

"Too often we do work without a full, complete and vivid understanding of how people benefit from it. There's a lot we can do to humanize work and make employees understand how their ideas can affect people around them." •

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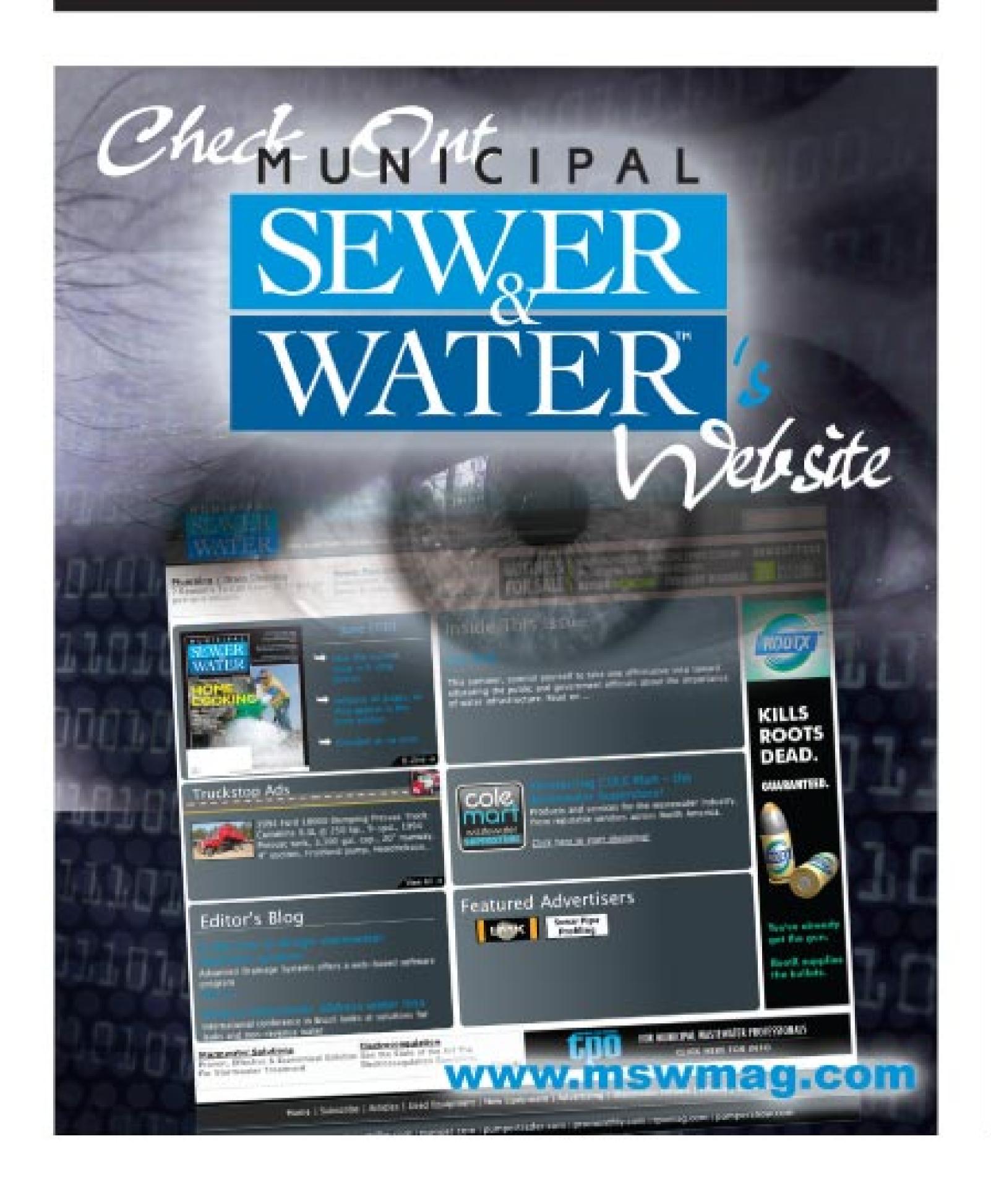


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### SHARING CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGIES

The NASSCO annual meeting will include presentations from industry experts on the latest in trenchless innovations

By Ted DeBoda, P.E.

or months now NASSCO has been preparing for its annual meeting Feb. 16-19 in Rio Grande, Puerto Rico. Besides celebrating NASSCO's 35th anniversary and sending retiring executive director Irvin Gemora out in style, we will bring together the best minds in the industry to share and discuss new technologies.

As I begin my first year as NASSCO executive director, it is exciting to work with our team of underground industry experts to prepare a valuable, educational experience for members who attend the annual meeting.

At NASSCO we continually take a pulse on the benefits of membership. Time after time, we learn that networking, education, and training are the most important reasons trenchless industry

professionals join. The annual meeting provides a potent combination of all three, most notably Technical Day, Feb. 18. To date, our schedule includes a number of important topics, including:

Design of CIPP — A New Approach for the Industry. Ed Kampbell of Jason Consultants will head this discussion, using his

her insight on how the Pipeline Assessment Certification Program is now the basis for many municipalities and pipe utility owners responsible for developing GIS programs to manage their pipeline assets.

Laser Profiling — Calibration and Training Requirements for Consistent, Accurate and Reli-

Each topic will include a panel of industry experts who will lend their expertise and answer specific questions from the audience. The forum will be fully educational, and all presenters will leave their sales pitches at the door.

experience with ASTM International on developing a new, more accurate pipeline design for CIPP.

PACP — A Primary Ingredient in Development of Geographic Information System Programs. Joan Stone of PipeLogix will share

able Data Delivery. This program will explain how new construction is evaluated, in some cases, on passfail criteria, and how data from laser profiling devices must be accurate enough to avoid unnecessary pipe repair by the contractor.



Resin Systems for CIPP Installations, Improvements and Changes. As the cured-in-place pipe industry grows, new and improved resin systems are being developed for the sewer and water industry. Presenters will give a brief overview of current technology and what improvements and changes may be in store.

Monitoring the CIPP Lining Process Using Underground Sensors. CIPP is a product that is cured after it is installed into an existing pipeline. Monitoring of the curing process has been measured by the use of thermal sensors installed at various access points in the line section. Monitoring the cure on a more frequent interval may be possible and will be discussed by the presenters.

Each topic will include a panel of industry experts who will lend their expertise and answer specific questions from the audience. The forum will be fully educational, and all presenters will leave their sales pitches at the door, along with any comparisons to the competition. The goal is to educate engineers, contractors and municipalities on the newest technologies available and so help support NASSCO's mission to set industry standards and promote the trenchless industry. +

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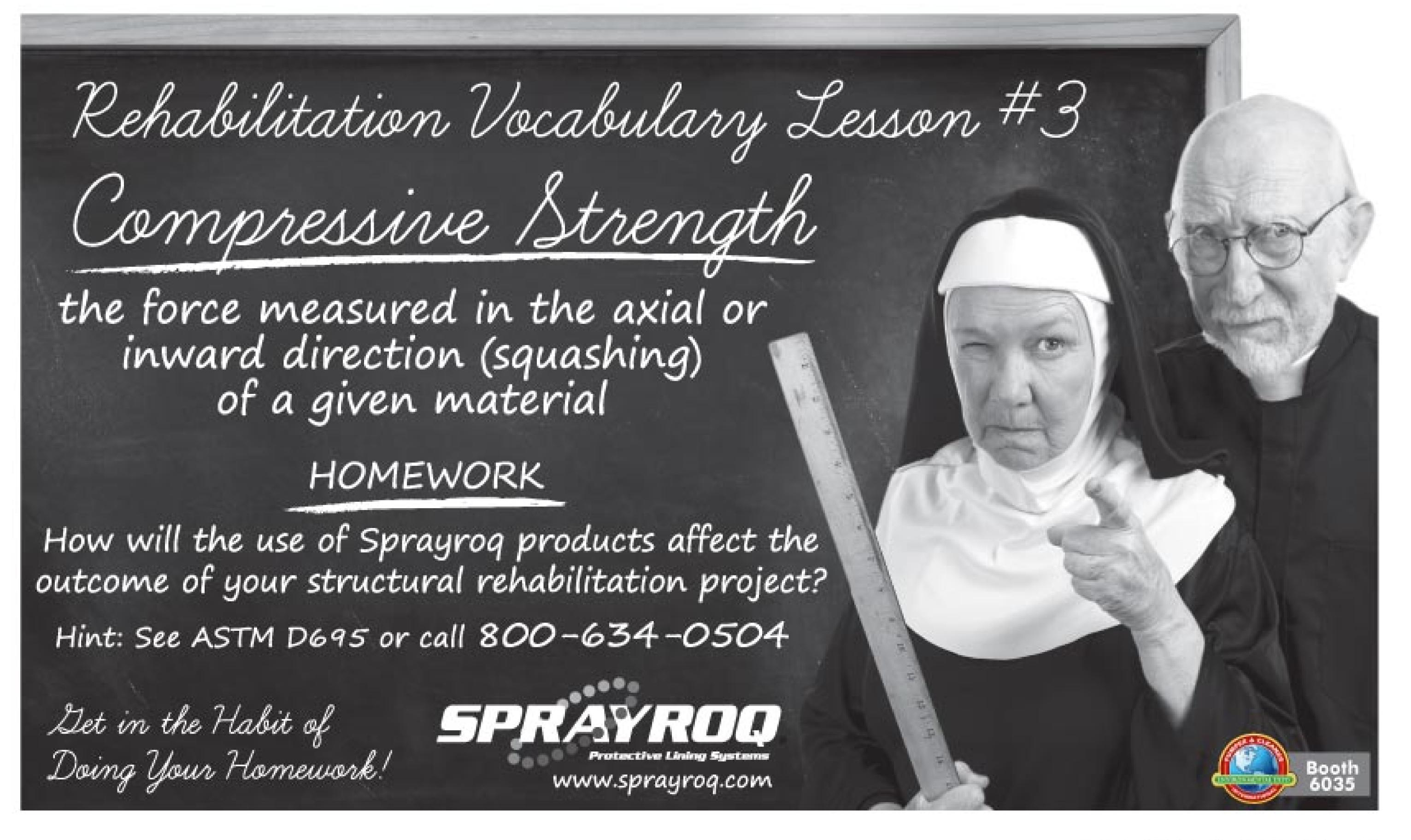
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#### StoneAge Named Top Colorado Company

StoneAge Inc. was named a Top Company award winner for 2010 in the manufacturing category by *ColoradoBiz* magazine. The Durango, Colo,-based company was chosen from among 36 finalists. The award recognizes Colorado businesses that demonstrate sustained financial performance, operational excellence and community involvement. The cleaning tool company was recognized for its investment in research and development, community economic development activities and annual donations of time and money to more than 50 nonprofit and community programs.

#### RWL Acquires Aeromix Systems

RWL LLC has acquired a majority interest in Aeromix Systems Inc., manufacturer of water and wastewater treatment systems. Peter Gross will remain Aeromix's CEO.



Aeromix's CEO Peter Gross, left, and RWL's chairman Ronald Lauder.

#### Forbest Products Co. Launches Online Store

Forbest Products Co. has launched a 24-hour online products and equipment store at www.cole-mart.com/forbest. The store offers the ability to research and compare products, and a simple order process.

#### Vac-Con Offers Imron Elite Coating System

Vac-Con will feature the DuPont Imron Elite coating system on its new industrial cleaners, vacuums and hydroexcavators. The primer's advanced resins increase impact and chip resistance, while Imron Elite technology delivers excellent gloss and color retention.

#### U.S., UK Companies form Pipe Restoration Service

U.S.-based Pipe Restoration Technologies LLC and UK-based Morrison Utility Services have formed Pipe Restoration Services to line service pipes with blown-in-place epoxy resin (ePIPE) as an alternative to lead service pipe replacement.

#### Wachs Water Services Forms Pipeline Division

Wachs Water Services has formed a pipeline systems assessment services division and is in negotiations with companies to provide trenchless solutions.



#### ABB Offers Flowmeter Reference Guide

ABB Measurement Products offers a 74-page reference guide for selecting and applying electromagnetic flowmeters (magmeters). The guide, Magmeter Basics – A Technical Reference Guide, introduces magmeters, summarizing such topics as principles of operation, construction, magnetic fields, maintenance, transmitters, installation and calibration. For

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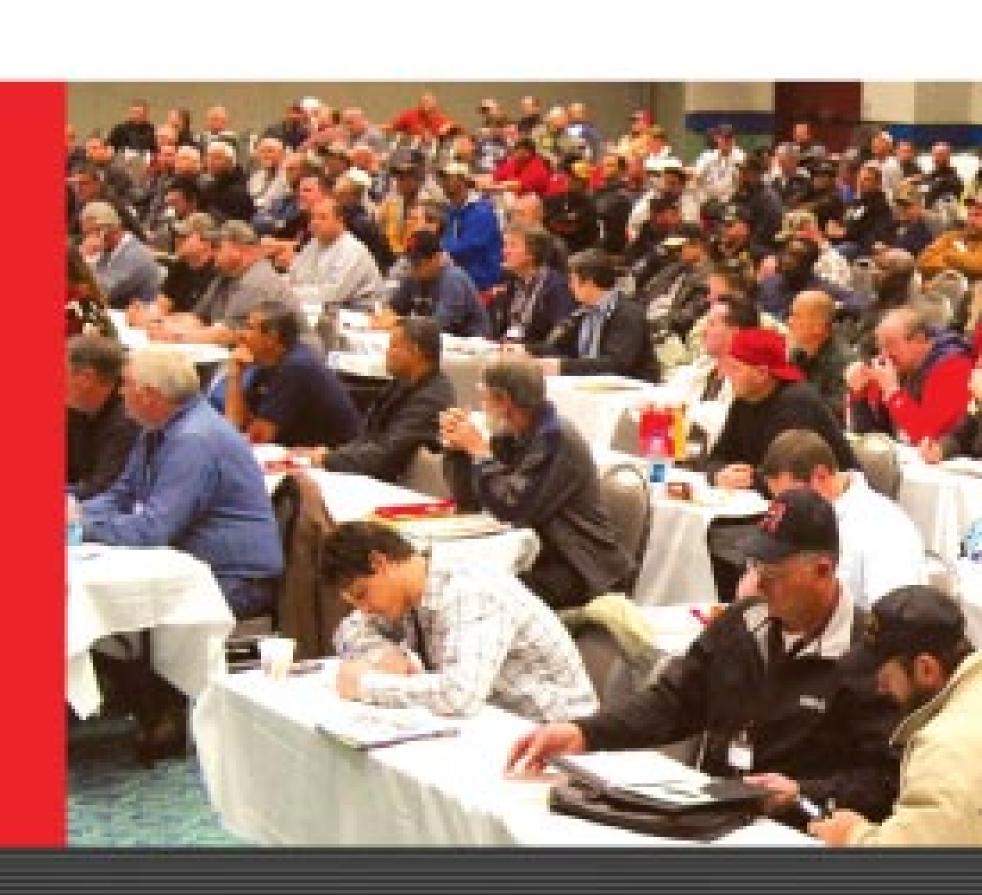
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8 a.m. | Sewer Collection System History & the Evaluation of Pipeline Materials and Problems

9:30 a.m. | Combo Vacuuming, a Forgotten Art

11 a.m. Keeping your Standard CCTV Inspection Program Relevant

1 p.m. Growing Your Business by Building Your Company Image

2:30 p.m. Pump and Lift Station Fundamentals: How to Achieve Maximum Service and Reliability

4 p.m. Making Sense out of Nozzle Nonsense

#### NAWT

#### National Association of Wastewater Transporters

8 a.m. So You Think You Want to Own a Waste Treatment Facility?

9:30 a.m. Grease as a Resource

11 a.m. Resource Recovery - Methane and Septage

1 p.m. 0 & M Problems on Drip Distribution Systems

2:30 p.m. | 0 & M Problems We Have Seen

4 p.m. 0 & M Problems with Media Filters

#### NASSCU

#### National Association of Sewer Service Companies

8 a.m. | Grout: Its Use and Application for the Total Collection System

9:30 a.m. Cured-In-Place Pipe

11 a.m. Pipe Bursting Tools for Everyday Utility Installations

1 p.m. How Will You Know if You Need to do a Sewer System Evaluation Survey (SSES)?

2:30 p.m. Laser Profiling Applications for Documenting Piping System Conditions

p.m. Advancements in UV Technology for Curing CIPP

#### WJTA

#### WaterJet Technology Association

8 a.m. Estimating the Vacuum Job for Fun and Profit

9:30 a.m. How to Maximize the Power of Your Waterjetter

11 a.m. | Waterjetting - Financial Startup Considerations and Real-World Application

#### PSAI

#### Portable Sanitation Association International

1 p.m. Understanding Your True Cost per Service for Special Events - Part 1

2:30 p.m. Understanding Your True Cost per Service for Special Events - Part 2

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#### National Association of Regulated Carriers

4 p.m. | Avoiding Violation Fines and Tickets with DOT Safety Compliance

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#### National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association

8 a.m. Troubleshooting Our Modern Waste Stream

9:30 a.m. Pumps - A Basic Understanding

11 a.m. System Remediation - Why, What, When, Where and How?

1 p.m. Selling the System to Site Conditions

2:30 p.m. | Sampling Sewage Treatment Systems

4 p.m. Effluent Dispersal and Water Management

#### National Environmental Health Association

8 a.m. | The Qualified 0 & M Service Provider

9:30 a.m. Effluent Screens and Filters for Onsite Applications

11 a.m. Develop Champions for Your Decentralized Wastewater Projects

1 p.m. | The Business of Management

2:30 p.m. Developing 0 & M Inspection Actions

4 p.m. Working with Regulators, Regulations & Industry

#### SCOTT HUNTER Business Track

8 a.m. | Creating an Extraordinary Organization - The Mindset of Leadership (Part 1)

9:30 a.m. The Mindset of Leadership (Part 2)

11 a.m. The Mindset of Leadership (Part 3)

2:30 p.m. Creating an Outrageously Successful Organization (Part 1)

4 p.m. Creating an Outrageously Successful Organization (Part 2)

#### Leaders Resource Network

8 a.m. | The Disciplines and Art of Business Success

10 a.m. Developing a "Fantastic" Team

1 p.m. Diversifying or Specializing Your Services

3 p.m. | Succession Planning



# THURSDAY SESSIONS

March 3, 2011

#### **BUSINESS TRACK**

45 Marketing Tips in 45 Minutes 8 a.m.

Lenzyme Inc. - Jerard Nighorn

9:30 a.m. The Benefits of Vehicle Routing Software in Today's Economy

RouteOptix Inc. - Ron Davey

Unleashing the Power to Profit and Freedom
Nexstar Inc. - Kenny Chapman 11 a.m.

The Evolution of Effluent Filters 8 a.m.

Bear Onsite LLC - Theo Terry

"Life Cycle" From Waste to Windfall 9:30 a.m.

Big Fish Environmental - John Campbell

Take Confined Space Seriously - A Matter of Life and Death 11 a.m.

M Tech Co. - Chris Cira

#### NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY TRACK

Centripipe (Centrifugally Cast Concrete Pipe) 8 a.m.

AP/M Permaform - Steve Henning

Valve Exercising and Fire Flow Testing for a Reliable Water Distribution System 9:30 a.m. Hurco Technologies Inc. - Lynn Hurley

The Basics of Buying and Selling a Septic or Sewer Business 11 a.m. COLE Publishing - Jeff Bruss

#### MUNICIPAL TRACK

Think Like Grout... For Better Point Repair of Below Grade Structures 8 a.m.

Prime Resins Inc. - Scott Kelly

9:30 a.m. CCTV Inspections Evolve to Unparalleled Heights

Aries Industries Inc. - George Rada

Manhole Chimney Section Rebuilds 11 a.m.

Mr. Manhole Systems - Michael Crites

#### INSTALLER TRACK

Membrane Bioreactor (MBR) Technology for Decentralized Wastewater Systems

Bio-Microbics Inc. - Dr. Reza Shams

9:30 a.m. Shallow Pressurized Drainfields for Soil-Based Effluent Dispersal

Orenco Systems Inc. - Mark Gross

11 a.m. Onsite System Solutions for Shallow Installations

Infiltrator Systems Inc. - Dennis Hallahan

#### **CLASES EN ESPAÑOL**

Técnicas Corrientes de Limpieza de Tuberías

Innerline Engineering - Jim Aanderud

9:30 a.m. Avances en la Evaluación de Tuberías y Tecnologías sin Zanja para Rehabilitación de Tuberías

CDM - Luis Roberto León

La Elección de Boquillas en la Limpieza de Drenajes Innerline Engineering - Jim Aanderud 11 a.m.

# FRIDAY SESSIONS

March 4, 2011

#### **MUNICIPAL TRACK**

Large Pipe Inspection CUES Inc. - N.H. Doc Bennett

Chemical Grouts & Grouting Methods 9:30 a.m.

Avanti International - Jim Gentry

Sectional CIPP Repairs Per ASTM F2599 LMK Enterprises Inc. - Rick Gage 11 a.m.

8 a.m. Save Money - Go Paperless

Clear Computing Inc. - Joel Smith

Marketing Your Septic/Drain Service Business 9:30 a.m.

COLE Publishing Inc. - Jeff Bruss

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Hi-Vac Corp. - Gerardo Ramírez

Varilla Herramientas y Equipos Simples para Limpieza De Alcantarillas 11 a.m.

Max-Life Manufacturing, David Pryor

#### LIQUID WASTE/INSTALLER TRACK

8 a.m. Grease Interceptor 101

Schier Products - Charlie Ismert, Ben Ismert

Datalogging for Onsite Septic System Diagnosis 9:30 a.m.

SJE Rhombus. - Scott Rietsema

**Belt Press Performance Optimization** 11 a.m.

BDP Industries Inc. - Kelly Brown

#### SEWER & DRAIN CLEANING TRACK

Inline Cutting Tools - Taking Science to the Sewer!

NozzTeg Inc. - Scott Paquet

9:30 a.m. Waterjetting! Impact on Drain Cleaning

US Jetting - Nick Woodhea, Ken Bryson

Don't underestimate your cable machines? MyTana Manufacturing - Jock Donaldson

#### PORTABLE RESTROOM TRACK

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11 a.m.

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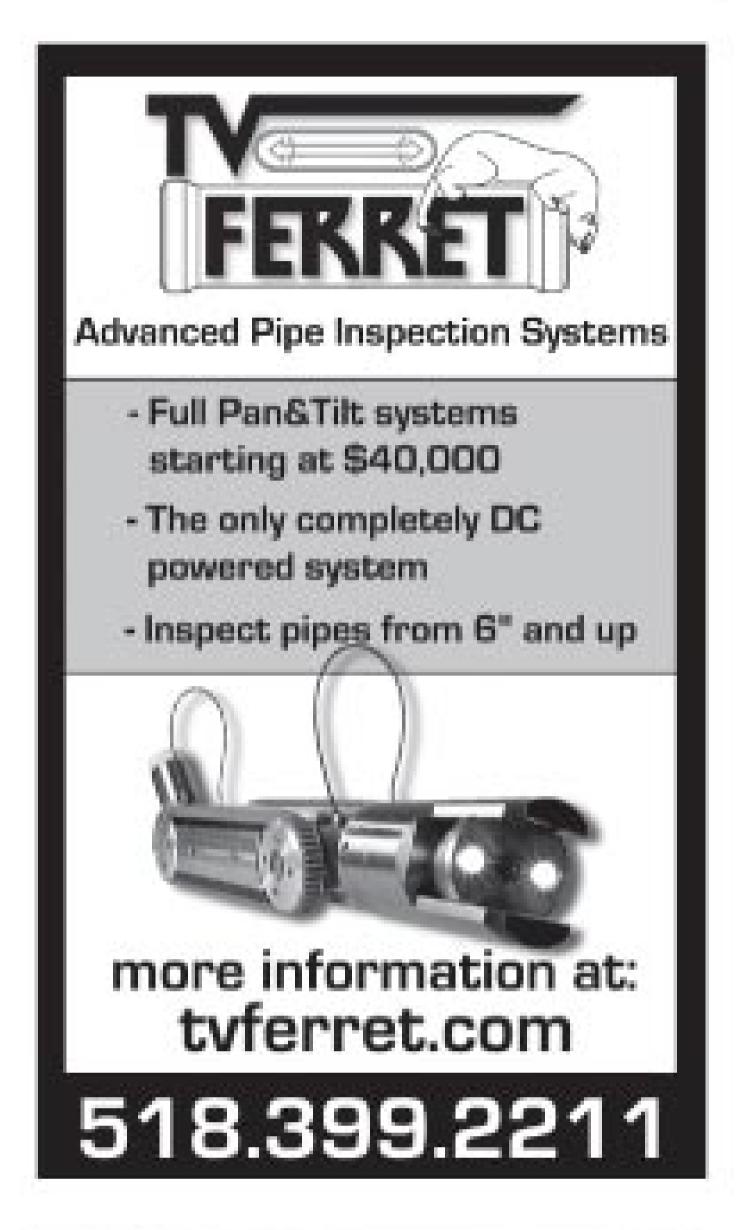
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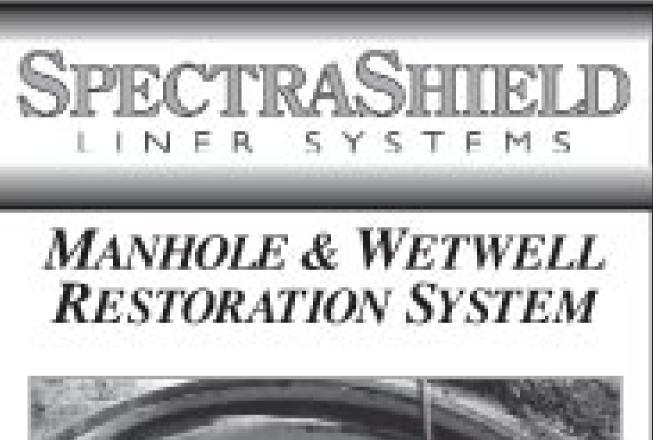
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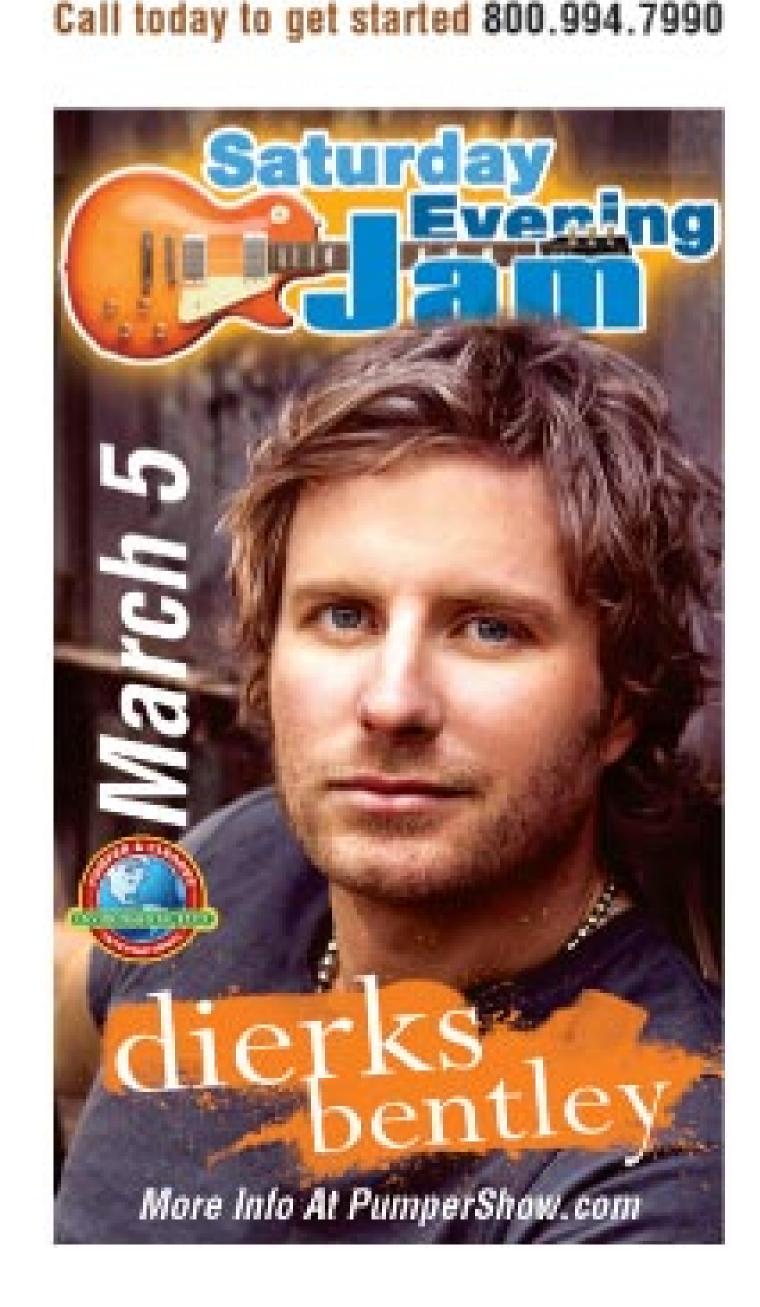
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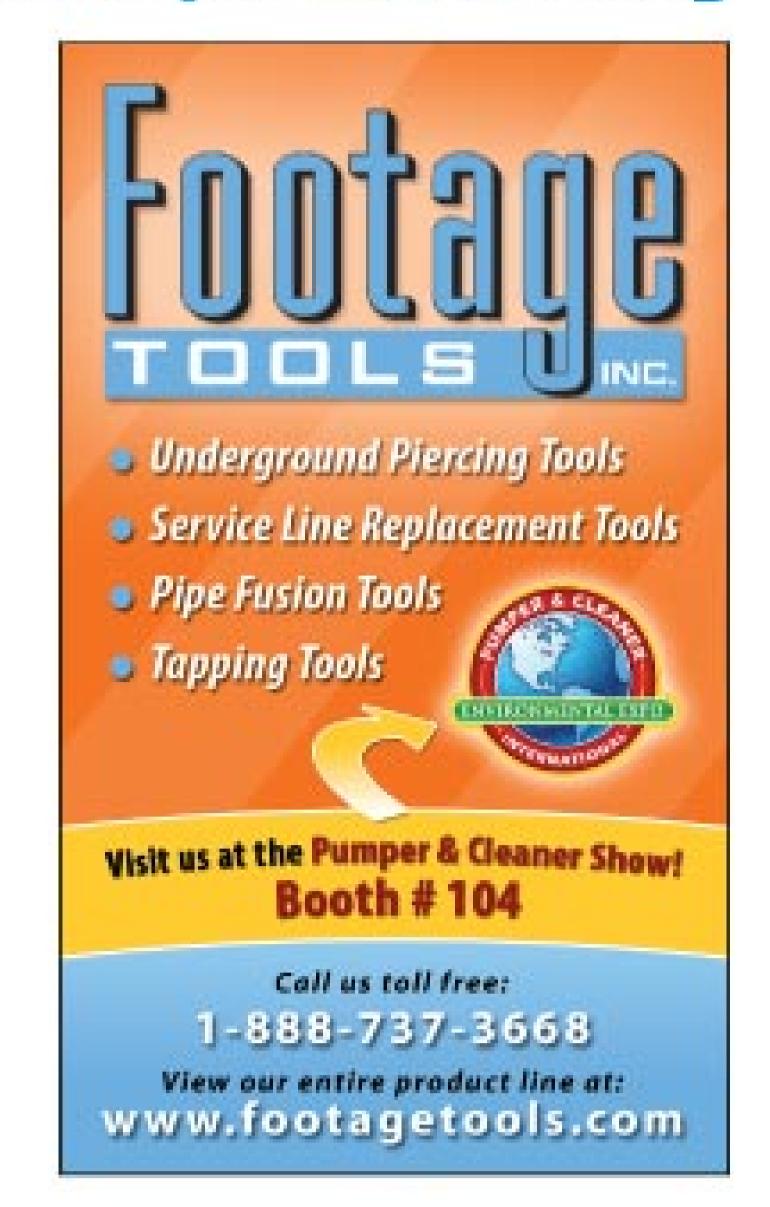






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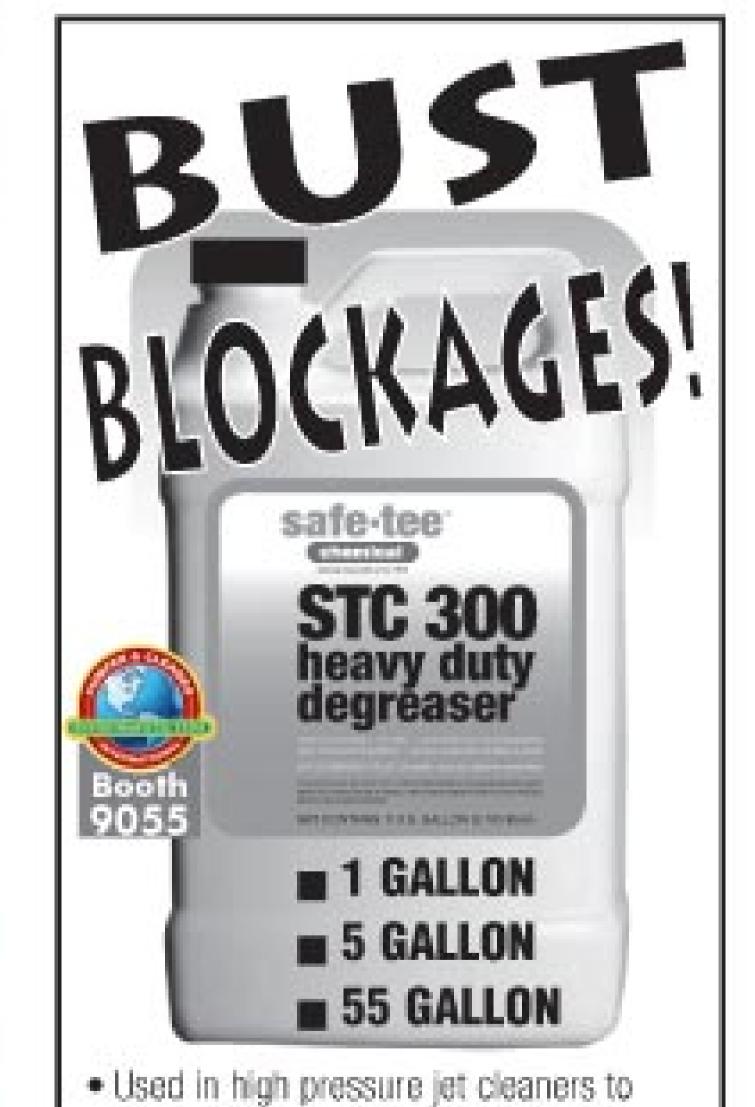
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The American Public Works Association announced that the following public works professionals earned credentials as Certified Stormwater Managers:

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#### LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

#### APWA

The American Public Works Association offers these courses:

- Feb. 15 Gray Water Reuse and Rainwater Harvesting, Audio/Web Broadcast
- Feb. 24 Team Dynamics: Stepping up to the "New Normal," Audio/Web Broadcast
- March 8-9 Stormwater Management Workshop, Charlotte, N.C.
   Visit www.apwa.net.

#### ASCE

The American Society of Civil Engineers offers these webinars:

- Feb. 7 An Introduction to Design Specifics and Tools
- Feb. 14 Understanding the Use of Ineffective Flow Areas
- Feb. 16 Improved Project Communication: Within and Outside of the Project Team
- Feb. 25 Engineered Rainwater Collection and Case Studies for Sustainable Water Management
- March 2 Delegation: Why Put Off Until Tomorrow What Someone Else Can Do Today?
- March 4 Stormwater BMPs: What Works, What Doesn't and What About Maintenance?
- March 11 Negotiating Better Engineering and Architectural Contracts
- March 15 An Overview of Unsteady Flow Simulations Using HEC-RAS



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#### Feb. 8-11

American Water Works Association Utility Management Conference, Denver, Colo. Visit www.awwa.org.

#### Feb. 20-23

International Erosion Control Association Annual Conference, Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, Orlando, Fla. Visit www.ieca.org.

#### Feb. 24-25

International Conference on Stormwater and Urban Water Systems Modeling, Toronto, Ont. Visit www.asce.org.

#### March 2-5

Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo International, Kentucky Exposition Center, Louisville, Ky. Call 800/257-7222 or visit www.pumpershow.com.

#### March 13-16

American Society of Civil Engineers Geo-Frontiers, Sheraton Dallas Hotel, Dallas, Texas. Visit www.asce.org.

#### March 23-25

American Society of Civil Engineers International Conference on Sustainable Design and Construction, Hyatt Regency Crown Center Hotel, Kansas City, Mo. Visit www.asce.org.

#### March 28-31

American Water Works Association Membrane Technology Conference and Exposition, Long Beach, Calif. Visit www.awwa.org.

- March 28 Engineering Through Ethical Challenges
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#### Wisconsin

The University of Wisconsin Department of Engineering-Professional Development is offering these courses:

- March 21-22 Upgrading Your Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Program, Madison
- March 23-25 Wastewater Pumping Systems and Lift Stations, Madison
- March 28-29 Municipal Engineering Fundamentals for Non-Engineers, Madison

Visit www.epdweb.engr.wisc.edu.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources offers these courses:

- Feb. 1-3, 8-10 Groundwater Supply and Distribution, Green Bay
- Feb. 15 Water Supply Safety, Chippewa Falls
- Feb. 16 Advanced Water Treatment Strategies, Chippewa Falls
- Feb. 17 Security and Emergency Planning for Utilities, Chippewa Falls
- Feb. 22-23 Iron, Zeolite and VOC, Madison
- Feb. 24 Government Affairs, Middleton
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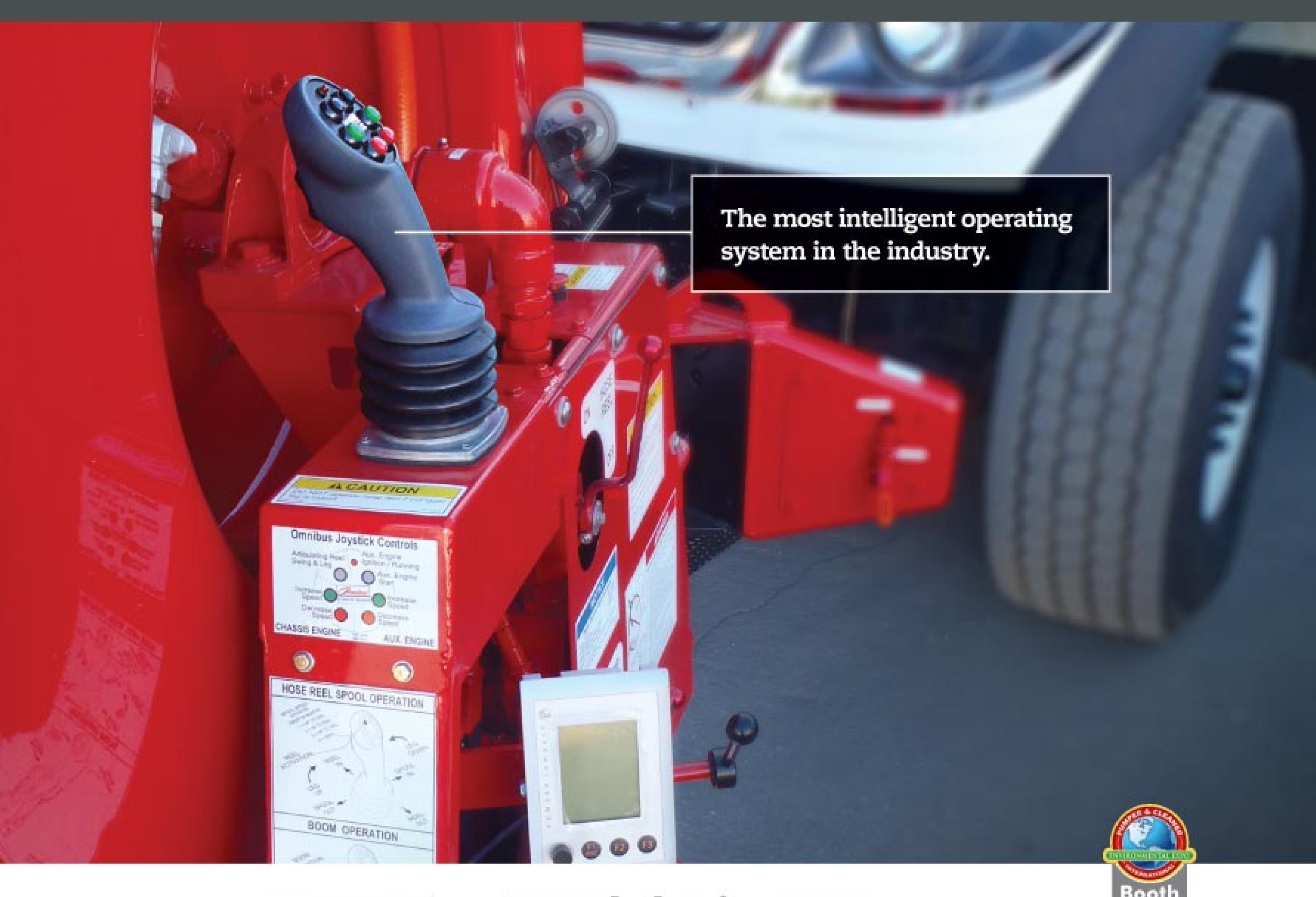














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