

CITY OF  
**COOKEVILLE**  
TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER QUALITY CONTROL

March 29, 2023

Sam Tays  
Tays Realty and Auction LLC  
620 Maxwell St  
Cookeville, TN 38501

Re: 545 Woodmont Circle Sewer Issue

To Whom it May Concern:

As we discussed there was a sewer problem at the above referenced property which led to the City of Cookeville purchasing the house. During a storm event, sewer from the sewer main backed up into the house. In trying to settle the claim, it was decided that it was in the best interest of the City to purchase the house, remove it from gravity sewer, and install a grinder pump to pump into the sanitary sewer. An E/One Grinder pump system was installed to pump up to the sewer system, which eliminated the problem. This is the same pump system that is utilized by most customers in Cookeville that have grinder pumps, and the City will maintain the pump. A copy of the grinder pump agreement that the customer will need to sign when they turn on utilities at City Hall is attached.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



Barry Turner, P.E.  
Director



## AGREEMENT FOR GRINDER PUMP-PRESSURE SEWER SYSTEMS

1. This agreement is being presented because the house which you are applying for service will use a grinder pump-pressure sewer system if it is connected to the City Sewer. The address of the property is:

\_\_\_\_\_, Cookeville, TN 38506  
(Street Address )

2. The grinder pump-pressure sewer system, hereinafter called "system," consists of a grinder pump and basin assembly, a control cabinet, and the electrical connections between the control panel and the grinder pump.

7. The customer grants the City the right to enter said property for the purpose of inspection, maintenance, repair, or replacement of the grinder pump-basin assembly including the control panel.

3. The City will maintain and repair/replace components of the system as the City deems necessary. The customer has the obligation to notify the City whenever the customer discerns that the system is not functioning properly. The customer is responsible for the electric service to the control panel and the piping from the house to the pump basin assembly, and from the pump basin assembly to the connection box at the street.

4. The customer will not, in any manner, willfully modify, tamper with, or destroy the system.

5. Any alterations or relocation of the system done exclusively for the customer's benefit shall be done only with the written approval of the City and shall be done at the customer's expense by a City approved contractor.

6. The customer shall not erect any structure (permanent or temporary) over the system. Any other plantings or modifications placed within six feet of the system are not the responsibility of the City or City's contractor. Should the City need to access, maintain, repair, or replace the system, any obstructions located within six feet of the system are the responsibility of the owner to replace.

7. The customer will reimburse the City for cost of materials, labor, and equipment required to repair any component of the system damaged as a direct result of customer's negligence. The cost for repair will be attached to the sewer utility bill.

8. If this property is still utilizing field lines and the owner desires to connect to City sewer, the owner should contact the Department of Water Quality Control regarding the requirements to do so.

By signing this agreement the customer agrees that he has read and understands this agreement and the terms and conditions contained herein including the attached "User Instructions for the Environment One Grinder Pump".

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Customer

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Date