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James Craft  
Compliance Officer  
Idaho Department of Environmental Quality  
Boise Regional Office  
1445 North Orchard Street  
Boise, Idaho 83706

March 19, 2020

Re: Sanitary Sewer Overflow on March 19, 2020

Dear Mr. Craft,

On March 19, 2020 the Operator On-Call, Aaron Ford, received a Sanitary Sewer callout from a Mr. Read at 8:15 AM. The location of the reported backup was:

2923 Cleveland Blvd.  
Caldwell, ID 83605

Upon arrival at the backup location, the operator reported a main line blockage of grease and flushable sanitary wipes. This is due to the unexpected high volume of the population staying home potentially because of COVID-19. Less than 50 gallons went into the catch basin which did not flow into receiving waters.

Mr. Ford then proceeded to wash and VAC the location with lime in order to disinfect the backup area. The catch basin was VAC'ed out. Our pretreatment technician was able to communicate with the management of McDonalds and explained that the City of Caldwell will need to see logs of previous clean outs and how often these clean outs occur. A 7 day period was given to follow up with the Wastewater Treatment Plant to ensure compliance.

Sincerely,

Salvador Arreola  
Wastewater Superintendent