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BGMU IMPLORES COMMUNITY TO KEEP TRASH, WIPES OUT OF TOILETS

(Bowling Green, Ky.) Bowling Green Municipal Utilities understands the importance of keeping surfaces disinfected and loved ones clean during this national pandemic. While our goal is to educate the public on keeping trash out of the wastewater system year-round, we are imploring our community to help with the disposal of disinfecting wipes, personal care wipes, paper towels and other trash. Since the beginning of the pandemic, we have experienced very large volumes of wipes, rags and other products in our wastewater pump stations.

It is misleading for packages of wipes to convey the message they are flushable. These items may go down the toilet, but they do not break down like toilet paper. They can cause blockages and eventually cause pipes to back up and overflow into homes and public areas. They also cause excessive damage to our pump stations. Please remember to throw all wipes and trash away in a trash can, and only flush human waste and toilet paper. We appreciate everyone's cooperation with this matter.

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About BGMU

Bowling Green Municipal Utilities provides electricity, water, wastewater services and high speed commercial data services to the Bowling Green area. The utility serves approximately 30,000 electric customers, 20,000 water/wastewater customers and 550 commercial fiber customers. For more information, please visit our website, www.bgmu.com.
