

Division of Wastewater – Policies and Procedures Manual Standard Policies and Procedures	
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1.0 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to outline the responsibilities of the Athens Utilities Board (AUB) in regards to line obstructions and maintenance. This policy applies to all wastewater accounts serviced by AUB.

2.0 REFERENCES

AUB Wastewater Division Policy AUB-02-01, Prohibitions and Limitations on Wastewater Discharges
AUB Wastewater Division Policy AUB-02-05, Wastewater Tap Policy and Fee

3.0 GENERAL

AUB operates an ongoing maintenance and rehabilitation program with the directive to eliminate inflow and infiltration (I/I) and to minimize collection system obstructions and stop-ups.

AUB will maintain the wastewater collection system and will correct any obstructions within the AUB system. Customers shall be responsible for any maintenance and/or obstruction in their service line.

4.0 DEFINITIONS

AUB – the Athens Utilities Board, and its duly authorized employees, agents, and representatives **Board** – the Chairman and all Commissioners but does not include any employees

Local Control Authority – Superintendent of Water and Wastewater or duly authorized representative

Customer – any person discharging waste to AUB’s Wastewater Collection System and wastewater treatment facilities

WWTP – Wastewater Treatment Plant, facilities owned and operated by AUB

5.0 POLICY/PROCEDURES

AUB’s gravity wastewater collection system includes mains and service lines from the tap to AUB’s clean-out which is located in a right-of-way or easement as illustrated in *Figure 1*. AUB’s low pressure force main system includes mains, low pressure force mains and grinder pump assemblies. AUB’s responsibility begins at the inlet side of the grinder pump.

If collection system obstructions occur on an AUB line or on the main side of the AUB clean-out, then AUB will correct the problem. If the obstruction is on the customer side of the AUB clean-out, the customer is responsible for all corrective measures; AUB will not inspect or correct the obstruction on the customer’s service line.

If a clean-out does not exist and a blockage is found on the service line, then AUB will install an AUB clean-out and determine the location of the blockage. If the obstruction is on the customer side of the newly installed AUB clean-out, then AUB field personnel will inform the customer that they need to contact a plumber or contractor to unstop the service line.

