Dallas Water Utilities
Cease the Grease
Background

• Implementation in 2005
• To reduce FOG entering the wastewater system
  – Enforcement
  – Education
  – Public Outreach
• Goals
  – Reduce Environmental Impact
  – Pollution Prevention
  – Cost Savings
  – Reduce Maintenance Efforts
  – Human Health
Mission

Continually educate and inform Dallas Water Utility (DWU) customers both young and old, about proper disposal of fats, oils, and grease (FOG) in order to reduce/eliminate costly grease related sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs).
Program Overview
Key Program Initiatives

• Create a unifying graphic device for all communications
• Rapid (SWAT) Response Program
• Support education and outreach programs
• Develop effective FOG recycling program
• Increase City, community, public/private partnerships
• Utilize technology/social media
Outreach & Education - SWAT

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Outreach & Education - Apartments

- AAGD Trade Show with 1,100 Apartment Managers and Employees
- SAFE Symposium with 2,100 Dallas Apartment Managers
Professional presentations include EPA, North Texas WEAT, TWUA, PWA, CMOM and the Building Professionals Institute.

Participate in over 200 outreach events per year.
Outreach & Education - Schools

- FY 09-10: 90 classroom presentations at 18 schools
- FY 10-11: 111 classroom presentations at 26 schools
- FY 11-12: 166 classroom presentations at 34 schools
Outreach & Education - Media

Grease Monster and Earl the Plumber
“When you pour grease down the drain, it puts money in my pocket.”
- Earl the Plumber
ceseathegrease.org/earl

Plumbers like Earl love the holiday season. Every year people pour grease and used cooking oil down their drains clogging up their pipes and causing smelly, expensive backups in the city’s sewer system.

Don’t give your money to Earl.

Instead, pour your grease and used cooking oil into a sealable container and throw it away or recycle the oil. That’s right, we’re taking your used cooking oil and recycling it into biofuel that powers Dallas County school buses.

Visit ceseathegrease.org/earl to find your nearest recycling center.

“See how much Earl will charge to unclog your greasy drain.”
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“You’re still pouring grease down the drain?
Great, I got the bass boat, now I need a new truck.”
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Flight Dates: 6/4/12 – 6/30/12 (4 weeks)
Dallas South Zone: 463 Commercials, $2,331.20 gross
Dallas East Zone: 223 Commercials, $2,141.60 gross
Dallas North Zone: 154 Commercials, $1,743.20 gross
DFW Central Zone: 175 Commercials, $1,784.00 gross

Total Commercials: 1,015  Total Investment: $8000
Average Spot Cost: $7.88
Cable TV Commercials
Outreach & Education – Regional and National

- **Texas Groups Participating in CtG** include Arlington, Burleson, Mesquite, Denton, Fort Worth, Cedar Hill, Houston, SAWS
- **Other Groups Participating** include Tulsa, OK; Midwest City, OK; Fort Wayne, IN; Pocatello, ID; Clark County, GA; Casper, WY; New Castle County, DE; Bismarck, ND; Nixa, MO; Washington DC, Jacksonville & Orlando FL
Used Cooking Oil Recycling
Texas State Fair
# Program Results

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Grease related SSOs in Dallas.
Program Results

Used cooking oil collected and converted into biofuel for school buses.

- FY 10-11 – 4,700 gallons

- DWU Biogas Project
  - Dec 2012: 900 gallons
  - Feb 2013: 900 gallons
DWU Biogas Project

Solids from Wastewater Treatment Plant → Digesters → Biogas → Co-generation → $ → High Strength Wastes

- Dewatering
- Land Application
Biogas Benefit

• As a fuel to generate electricity, DWU’s Biogas has the potential to reduce the City of Dallas’ total grid derived electricity consumption by almost 4%
• Reduce DWU electrical consumption by 7%
• Reduce SSWWTP electrical consumption by 60%
DWU Biogas Project Video
Awards

- 2012 TCEQ - Texas Environmental Excellence Award for Pollution Prevention
- 2010 NACWA National Environmental Achievement Award in Public Information & Education – Video, NTGAC
- 2010 NTCRA – Green3 Award for Involvement in the Community through Partnerships 2nd Place with DCS
- 2009 TWUA – Public Education N. Texas Regional Award
- 2008 TWUA – Public Education State Award
- 2008 City of Dallas – Mayor’s Environmental Excellence Award
- 2007 NACWA – Public Information & Education Award
- 2005 TWUA – Regional Exemplary Service Assoc Leadership Award
EARTH DAY DALLAS 2012
Questions

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