



December 3, 2010

To the Baltac community,

As you were informed by Jill late last week, the sanitary sewer collection system for your community was officially "turned on" last Friday. A number of your neighbors have already gone live on the new system and connections will continue to occur through next week. After that, the winter season officially kicks in and any further construction will wait until the spring thaw.

This was definitely a challenging project, but its successful completion would never have been possible without the efforts of your community association, our staff, the RDEK staff and directors and the numerous contractors who were involved in the project over the past year. I would also like to wholeheartedly thank the Baltac residents for their patience and understanding through the construction process. You have set a shining example for what will hopefully be the first of many such projects in the area.

Completion of this system represents a major step forward in the protection of Lake Windermere for the long term. In conjunction with the sewer system project, we were also able to bring Interior Health compliant drinking water to another 20 properties within the Baltac area through the water utility. Combining the two projects allowed some significant construction cost savings and as a somewhat unexpected bonus, Lake Drive received a significant and long overdue facelift.

I won't go into any more details as a full update is pending shortly from the RDEK that will cover everything and revisit the steps that are required to connect to your new system.

I am, however, able to now formally say - welcome to the Windermere Water and Sewer system!

If you have any questions about the system, your connection or any other aspect of the project, please don't hesitate to contact our office.

Merry Christmas!

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Partlo".

Paul Partlo
President