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Space Station's Complicated Broken Toilet a Simple Repair on Earth

WACO, Texas (June 5, 2008) – Imagine a family with five teenagers sharing one bathroom. Think that's hard to picture? Try astronauts in space without a properly working toilet.

With the international space station's only toilet broken for two weeks, astronauts could have used the help of a plumber. Too bad plumbers can't make service calls to space.

"This type of service call is far more difficult in space, and the absence of gravity makes it all the more intriguing," said Bill Pease, manager of technical services for the Mr. Rooter Corporation. "Replacing a pump is actually a simple and quick job here on Earth."

With the proper parts, Mr. Rooter® technicians can fix a similar pump problem in a couple of hours. The replacement process consists of disconnecting the problematic pump and connecting a new one.

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