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Dear Commissioners:

I am a landowner in Marion County, Florida. Recently, I was informed that Florida Water Services Inc. (FWS) has submitted an application to amend its Marion Oaks water and wastewater service area that includes my land.

I have not been contacted by representatives of FWS nor have I requested service from the utility, and yet they are attempting to certificate my land. Furthermore, the Marion Oaks system has much higher user rates than other utilities in the County.

Besides the much higher cost and the fact that FWS seems to be taking a "back-door" approach to supplying service, my reasons for not wanting to be included in this proposal certification include:

- The much higher rates charged by FWS will make my property less attractive for developing or for sale to any potential future buyer.
- In these times of deregulation, and the opportunity for consumers to have a choice, the monopoly that is proposed on my property's water and wastewater service is unacceptable.

For these reasons I object to the proposed certification amendment to increase the Marion Oaks water and wastewater service area.

Sincerely,

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