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North Ft. Myers, FL, December 11, 1998

We, the undersigned, being homeowners in Buccaneer Estates, N. Ft. Myers, Florida, do hereby object to the application of North Ft. Myers Utility, Inc. for an extension of their wastewater service area into Buccaneer Estates as described in a notice appearing in the Ft. Myers News-Press on Dec. 9, 1998.

We object for several reasons, one of which, is the fact that this area has already been illegally connected to the North Ft. Myers Utility, Inc.'s system since approximately Oct. 1, 1998, This is contrary to fs 367.045(2), and we feel that North Ft Myers Utily, Inc. should be penalized for this, as is allowed for in fs 367.161(2)!

We think this illegal connection was part of a scheme to get the homeowners of this park to pay for a per site connection cost, which in reality never existed; and also to shift to the homeowners, the burden of a monthly sewer fee which was part of the park owner's obligations as set forth in rental agreements covered under various parts of fs 723. We consider some of the actions taken by the parties involved in this scheme to border on fraud, coercion, and intimidation.


We also object on the grounds that both, North Ft. Myers Utility, Inc., and Manufactured Home Communities Inc., the latter being owners of this park, together or singularly, may have breached other sections of fs 723 not the least of which is 723.031(3), 723.022(4), 723.021, 723.003(10), 723.004(3), 723.031(5)(b), 723.046, 723.054 (3), in their haste to promote this illegal scheme.

We also object on the grounds that both of the above mentioned parties, either singularly or together, may have breached other Florida Statutes; such as fs 501.204, 501.2077.2(2), and may have even been part and parcel to mail fraud through the use of the United States Postal Service, again in the promotion of this illegal scheme.


ACK _____

AFA _____ Yours

APP _____ WALTER O. COWAN



CAF _____ Shirley M. Cowan



CMU _____
print name

signature

CTR _____ Homeowner/s of lot no. 283 Buccaneer Estates

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