## Jacob Veaughn

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Jacob Veaughn on behalf of Records Clerk Monday, January 24, 2022 11:54 AM 'Peggy Erickson' Consumer Contact RE: Docket #20200226-SU

Good Morning, Peggy Erickson

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket 20200226, and the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach will be notified.

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From: Peggy Erickson <Peggy@midlandinfosys.com> Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:44 AM To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US> Subject: Docket #20200226-SU

I, Margaret (Peggy) Erickson, live at 111 N Gulf Blvd, Placida FL 33946 Don Pedro-Knight Island. Also, own a lot at 251 Bocilla Dr., Placida, FL 33946 Don Pedro-Knight Island.

I'm in opposition to the proposed central sewer. Therefore, I am formally requesting that the PSC deny Environmental Utilities(EU) application for wastewater service for the following reasons listed below.

Environmental Utilities(EU) has not provided reliable **preliminary design and cost documentation from a licensed and reputable engineering firm with experience in this area**.

Environmental Utilities(EU) has no point of general oversight. As homeowners on this island, we have the right to pick our contractor.

Environmental Utilities(EU) is a new company with no employees and no record to show they can obtain financing for or manage a project of this size with a total lack of experience of this complexity. In addition, environmental Utilities(EU) has zero technical expertise in this area.

Environmental Utilities(EU) reportedly runs the municipal water service on Little Gasparilla Island (LGI), which has a record of unhappy customers and service issues. I believe Environmental Utilities(EU) lacks the required technical expertise and continually fails to provide evidence in its capabilities.

I'm on a barrier island that only is accessible by a car ferry which would affect the rates and charges of the sewer system, maintenance, and emergencies. They have not provided documentation showing they are capable of a project of this magnitude and no history with this type of project.

I have extreme environmental concerns because they have no plan to avoid sewage back-up to prevent sewer spills into the Gulf of Mexico! In addition, the islands are home to a large population of endangered gopher tortoises. Heavy equipment traffic required by the sewer installation will affect the existing tortoise population because they have zero expertise in this area.

Before making your decision maybe you should visit our island and see for yourself.

The above reasons are why I'm in opposition to the proposed central sewer, and I am formally requesting that the PSC deny Environmental Utilities(EU) application for wastewater service.

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Thanks so much,

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