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From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:54 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: FW: Docket #20200226 - Environmental Utilities, LLC (EU)
Attachments: malone sewer letter 220310.pdf

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20200226.

Thank you!

From: Tim Malone <tmalone@itstraffic.us>
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:50 AM
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To All:

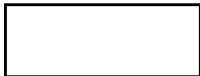
Please find attached our letter pertaining to Docket #20200226 - Environmental Utilities, LLC (EU).

I think this accurately states our position.

Thx,

Tim

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To the Commissioners of the Public Service Commission

Reference: Docket #20200226 - Environmental Utilities, LLC (EU)

From Timothy and Rosemary Malone:

We own 35 Lemon Bay Drive, on Knight Island. We are in the process of building a home at this location which will be completed around May 1, 2022.

We are against granting a certificate for a private sewer system to Environmental Utilities, LLC. We feel this is a money making scheme not a genuine concern for the people of the island.

When we purchased our property with plans to build it was stated that Knight Island Utilities (KIU) was to be our sewer provider. We paid KIU a hookup fee of \$4,000 to tie into their lines and are tied in. We have also paid \$15,000 to have the required pumps and lines installed. We anticipate our monthly sewer cost to be \$60-\$85. Our water is being supplied through Bocilla Utilities. We currently pay minimum water usage of \$60 per month.

We were aware of the EU application because of the protesting signs all over the island and resident discussions, but paid no attention to it because it did not affect us, as our street is part of the KIU service area – which has nothing to do with EU or their application.

Recently we found out (from fellow island residents) that EU's service area actually encompasses our property per their map on the application. We were also told that during the technical session, Mr. Boyer of EU testified that all of the Lemon Bay Lane and Yacht Basin Drive residents are not only included in EU's service area, but that each resident will have to hook up to the EU sewer system and pay the same hookup fees of \$12-15,000 and then monthly service charges of around \$250 as all other residents in EU's service area. We will not be paying this double fee as he states if it comes to this without a fight from our attorney.

I have received NO NOTIFICATION from EU, Jack Boyer, KIU, or the Public Service Commission about this application. All residents should have been notified in writing in advance of any hearings and given a chance to protest – **AND I RECEIVED NO NOTIFICATION WHATSOEVER.** We have lived full time on the island full time for sixteen years. We have had the same PO Box for the duration so there was no excuse for us not to be notified.

I feel it is not legal, equitable, fair, or reasonable for the Public Service Commission to even consider an application without full and complete notification and disclosure to all affected residents.

Why does the PSC allow multiple sewer utilities providers for the same sewer service area?

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Assuming the PSC controls all utilities, what procedures and controls does it have to ensure the public is handled fairly, equitable, and reasonably, with rates properly justified? The difference between the hookup and rates proposed by EU are significantly higher than the hookup and rates in place with KIU. I do not understand the dramatic difference. There must be a problem with the costs supplied by EU to the PSC for rate justification. Why can KIU supply the identical service to us for \$100 per month when EU wants \$250 per month?

I feel that this outfit is not capable nor has the experience to provide a suitable sewer option for the island. They also do not seem to have the financial backing to implement this endeavor. I work closely with the FDOT and in our industry design builds where qualified companies with resources present their solutions with public involvement. This allows for a system to be installed and serviced with the cost consideration we are due.

If for some unknown reason you decide to go ahead and grant this application, please modify it to exclude Lemon Bay Lane and Yacht Basin Drive from their service area and allow us to continue to use KIU for our services.

PLEASE DENY THIS APPLICATION.

Thank you

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