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From: Office of Commissioner Fay
Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 12:40 PM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 20240032-SU

Attachments: LGI sewer letter.doc; Objection to Proposed EU application. Docket# 20240032-SU; Re

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Please place the attached in Docket No. 20240032

Thanks

From: BLAINE WILEY <blainetwiley@aol.com>

Sent: Friday, May 03, 2024 8:08 AM

To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

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Subject: Docket# 20240032-SU

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Please find attached a letter of opposition to the proposed sewer project on Little Gasparilla Island, Charlotte County, FL.

Thank you.



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May 2, 2024,

Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk, Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

RE: Docket# 20240032-SU

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you today to express my strong opposition to the granting of a wastewater permit to Little Gasparilla Water Utility to provide sewer hook up on Little Gasparilla Island.

I am currently the owner of the property at 9400 Little Gasparilla Island F4, Hideaway Bay Beach Club. Our condominium complex is currently a licensed sewage operator as we have our own facility for the 102 units. The proposal seeks to demolish our current sewage system and replace it with a similar system at a significant expense to the owners of Hideaway Bay. This is not needed nor is it reasonable.

I also don't believe that installing a sewer system is necessary on the island, since the majority of the homes on the island are only occupied part time, some for only a few weeks per year.

Finally, the applicant has not previously been an operator of a sewer utility, and many, perhaps most of the home owners on the island do not have a favorable opinion of the operation of the water utility. We have great concern about how the sewer utility would be operated, and the costs involved to the residents.

Thank you for your time and attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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From: Mari Koerner <marikoerner2020@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 2:53 PM

To: Records Clerk; Office of Chairman La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of

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Graham

Subject: Objection to Proposed EU application. Docket# 20240032-SU

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

My name is Mari Koerner. I am a homeowner on Little Gasparilla Island in Charlotte County since 1992.

I am asking you to deny EUs application for wastewater services. I am not totally satisfied with the reasons our island needs to go thru this great expense, now and in the future. We seem to have managed quite comfortably (with some updating) for the last 30 years. This is a very serious concern.

I would also like to point out that many of our homes were severely damaged by hurricane Ian. I would like to say we have recovered from Ian BUT we have not. This is a very stressful situation. At this time, 1 1/2 years after Ian, we have no idea what each individual expense will end up being. Nothing more should be considered to disrupt our island until all have recovered from the ills of hurricane Ian (of course, unless there was an absolute emergency).

At that point I would like to see a written report including exact costs, liabilities, the entire project specifications and how we would be financially protected.

There are many more reasons to refuse this application that I am sure so many of our island residents have presented. I hope you will consider our very deep concerns.

Thank you,
Mari Koerner
E1 Hideaway Bay
Little Gasparilla Island

P.S. Could I please have a receipt of this letter from the Clerk? Sent from my iPad

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From: Feiner Daniel <feinerdr@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Thursday, May 2, 2024 11:15 PM

To: clerk@psc.fla.state.us

Cc: Office of Chairman La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner

Passidomo; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Fay

Subject: Re docket #20240032-SU

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My name is Veronica Miks, I own a house and property on Little Gasparilla Island, and I am writing to you again to object to Environmental Utilities, LLC application to install a central sewer system on our island.

This company tried to do this a few years ago and is applying again. The type of system that they have proposed is a system that most likely will be more susceptible to failure than the current septic system that the island has, which currently are up to code per the state standards. The type of system relies on a grinder which needs electricity, and if there is a power outage, the sewer could fail. There also is the cost, which at this point is prohibitive with the knowledge that it could fail and cost even more to mitigate the failures, especially in a costal community. The island has few full time residents. The impact of our current septic system is nil according to the state records of pollution bloom. It is never from our island. Plus, the company has not mentioned what environmental impact or mitigation that they will do if and when they cross over environmentally sensitive property. I would imagine that they will have to cross through Don Pedro State Park with their current plan. I myself have property that I have planted with native trees and flowers that could be impacted by this.

This company has no experience in sewer building. They used to run a makeshift water company and expanded it to the point that they could not properly supply water to the people that they sold it to. They did unlicensed plumbing and hookups and ultimately the county had to regulate them. This is a private, for profit company, which also jacked up the water prices initially until there was a complaint as to their prices to the state.

I ask you to deny Environmental Utilities, LLC application for wastewater service.

Thank you.
Veronica Miks
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