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From:	Nickalus Holmes on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent:	Friday, March 28, 2025 4:21 PM
То:	'Scott Almand'
Subject:	RE: Little Gasparilla Island Sewer

Good afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Almand

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20240032, and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you

Nick Holmes Commission Deputy Clerk II Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 850-413-6770

From: Scott Almand <scott.almand@smrranch.com>
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Subject: Little Gasparilla Island Sewer

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Scott Almand. I am a resident of LGI at 9400 Little Gasparilla Island Unit F1, which is part of the Hideaway Bay Beach Club condos. (HBBC). I am writing this letter to ask you to **DENY** the application by Environmental Utilities (EU) for a certificate to install sewers on our island. EU made the change to the location of the waste water transmission line from Don Pedro State Park to the HBBC property. All owners and the HBBC association were excluded from the scope of this application on May 13, 2024 (Doc # 03001-2024) by EU's attorney, and this change directly and adversely effects every one of the owners at HBBC. We received no notification of this substantial change to the application. This is a direct violation before PSC should make their decision - proper notification of all involved parties. The change to the application <u>without proper notification</u> denies the owners at HBBC of our due process to be able to express our opposition to this change.

The letter from the HBBC lawyer, Nick Porter dated February 28, 2025 (Doc #01210-2025) also states HBBC's position in this matter. The owners and association board are all very disappointed the PSC staff did not take into account this oversight in notification in their recommendation.

All owners at Hideaway Bay Beach Club have been denied their due process because of the change made by EU without any notification.

If EU plans to use the model as indicated in the 2017 CC SMP, the pump house will be constructed on HBBC property and will shut down our drain field. This will shut down sewer service to our community while construction is underway. This is COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE. You can not put us out of our homes for an extended period of time. Again, 132 families are being denied our due process.

Not one of the 132 families that are directly affected have not been notified of this. The HBBC community is currently using a DEP permitted septic plant and we do not need a sewer line brought to our property. This would be a significant financial burden to our community. If this project is approved and moves forward, we have every intention of filing a class action lawsuit.

Please do not approve this application.

J. Scott Almand & Christa Almand Hideaway Bay Beach Club – Owners and Board Treasurer