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Sent: Monday, March 31, 2025 7:18 AM
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Subject: FW: Docket #20240032 EU **Attachments:** PSC letter 3 28 2025.pdf

Good morning,

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

Sincerely,

Brian Schultz

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Subject: Docket #20240032 EU

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Dear Commissioners,

Please consider the attached letter before the commission votes on the EU petition under Docket 20240032.

Sincerely,

Dwayne and Gena Huebner

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March 28, 2025

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Dear Commissioners,

RE: Docket # 20240032

Our names are Dwayne & Gena Huebner. We are displaced full-time resident of LGI at 9400 Little Gasparilla Island Unit C4. This is part of the Hideaway Bay Beach Club condos (HBBC). We say displaced because our unit is still deemed by Charlotte County as not habitable due to damage suffered during Hurricane Ian in 2022. We are writing this letter to ask you to <u>deny</u> the application by Environmental Utilities for a certificate to install sewers on our island.

EU changed the location of the waste water transmission line from Don Pedro State Park to the HBBC property—our property! How can that be when we were excluded from the scope of this application on May 13, 2024 (Doc # 03001-2024) by EU's attorney? This change directly affects every one of the owners at HBBC. We were **not** notified of this substantial change to the application. This is a direct violation of one of the tenets by which the PSC should base their decision. Proper notification should have been made to all affected parties! The change to the application without notification denies the owners at HBBC of our due process to be able to fight this change. All of this at a time when so many of us are still trying to get back into our home after the back-to-back hurricanes.

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

If EU plans to use the model as indicated in the 2017 CC SMP, the pump house for the sewer will be built on the HBBC Waste Plant drain field. Building anything on our drain field will result in the community being shut down completely while the construction is underway. It will also force us to hook up to the EU sewer despite being excluded from the scope of this project. It is extremely hard to believe the position we find ourselves in. Not even EU extended the courtesy of contacting our association Board of Directors to discuss their intentions.

Our exclusion from the process causes much uncertainty. There have been no estimates of the hook up costs for the condos. Would HBBC be the first people forced to hook up to the sewer system because of the construction on our property? Will our only recourse will be legal action that will further burden the owners with even more expense? This year we hope to finally have the hurricane damage to our home repaired only to be turned out again because of the initial sewer construction. As a parting blow we be facing the substantial costs of decommissioning our existing waste plant. This is beyond burdensome! Please put yourselves in our shoes for a moment. How would you feel about these developments?

Let us say again--132 families that are directly affected have not been notified. 132 families currently using a DEP permitted septic plant do not need a sewer line brought to our property. 132 families have no idea what the financial burden will be if this transmission line is brought to our property.

Please do the right thing and deny this application.

Sincerely,

Dwayne L. Huebner

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