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From: Brian Schultz on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Tuesday, April 1, 2025 7:24 AM
To: 'John Bush'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: EU Sewer Application Docket 20240032

Good morning,

We will be placing your comments below 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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From: John Bush <jkb140@gmail.com>
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Subject: Fwd: EU Sewer Application Docket 20240032

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Dear Commissioners:

I am a condo owner at Hideaway Bay Beach Condominiums on Little Gasparilla Island. I'm writing in opposition to the above project.

I only recently learned of the plans to build a sewage plant on the lateral fields of our property. I'm concerned about the lack of adequate notice and opportunity to be heard at earlier meetings, in violation of federal due process rights and state law. Essentially it seems that the property owners at Hideaway Bay—the people most directly affected by the proposed project—have been deliberately kept in the dark by those who support the project. It will directly impact our ability to use our property during the proposed construction of the sewage plant and will adversely the value of our property going forward.

It particularly affects my family because, as I understand the proposed location of the sewage plant, it will be just beyond the front yard of our condo, D-9. After having gone through more than two years of reconstruction from three hurricanes, our unit is finally about back to what it was before all the damage. My family and I have not been able to enjoy the benefits of the condo for all this time. Now we learn that a new construction project is proposed that will keep us away for yet another unknown lengthy period of time. And when it is completed, we have no assurance that its location so near our condo will not greatly diminish its value.

Adding insult to injury, Hideaway Bay is proposed for the location of the sewage plant even though our lateral fields work properly. It is as if we are being punished for having made proper provision. If other properties on LGI have inadequate lateral fields, it should be their responsibility to deal with the issue on their properties. And if a sewage facility is needed for those other properties, then it should be those properties where the facility is located, not Hideaway Bay.

I am particularly concerned that those behind the project appear to be seeking it in order to develop the island. If they have a profit motive behind their request, then it should be they, not the owners at Hideaway Bay, who bear the property costs of the project.

Thanks for your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

John K. Bush