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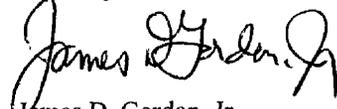
Subj: Wastewater Treatment Certificate for
Charlotte County barrier island

This letter is in support for the approval of the August 16 Certificate of Authorization request by Island Environmental Utility, Inc. I have been a resident of Knight and Don Pedro Islands since 1983 and have witnessed the deteriorating water conditions in and around the islands and in Lemon Bay where I fish regularly.

My belief is that septic systems are adequate for remote areas with a modest population concentration. The construction boom that has occurred on the islands mentioned in the application has resulted in a tremendous number of new full time and part time residents and the number of septic systems. I believe the high concentration of these systems have had and will continue to have a detrimental impact on the quality of water and sea life in area waters.

Please approve the Certificate of Authorization so that Charlotte County residents and visitors can continue to enjoy Lemon Bay, the barrier island beaches and the wonderful wildlife that inhabit this area.

Sincerely,



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