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RE: Point Water and Sewer, Inc.  
Application for original certificate

Gentlemen,

This is a written response to Point Water and Sewer, Inc.'s application to the PSC for a certificate to operate a water and wastewater utility at the Point.

My wife and I purchased our home in May of 1992. At that time we were aware that the water and sewer service was provided by a private company and that the treatment plant was located within the subdivision. We were not aware of the problems that were associated with the plant. Since that time we have discovered that there has been a long history of problems with the plant and the owner, Jim Younge. Mr. Younge had ignored repeated warnings from State and Federal agencies to make improvements to the plant. His failure to make the improvements in a timely fashion resulted in large fines being imposed against Mr. Younge. Additionally, Mr. Younge has abandoned the plant forcing the homeowners to operate and maintain the plant for a number of years. He has also abandoned our community leaving houses as well as the subdivision itself unfinished.

My wife and I, as well as our fellow neighbors, now find ourselves paying thousands of dollars in attorney's fees to defend ourselves from a frivolous lawsuit brought by Mr. Younge in an effort to force the homeowner's association to take responsibility for the fines levied against him and to allow his son to charge us an exorbitant amount for our water and sewer service. We never would have purchased this property if we had known that this kind of person was controlling our water and sewer service. And with the pending lawsuit we have seen the market value of our home drop phenomenally. We could not sell our home even if we wanted to.

Mr. Younge, operating through his company, Point Water & Sewer, Inc., which is run by his son, John Younge, now wants to charge us three times the amount that we were paying for water and sewer service just one year ago. This amount is several times higher than what the average Clay county resident is paying for public utilities. And those residents do not have to be concerned with the quality of their water nor the safety concerns that a small antiquated plant presents.

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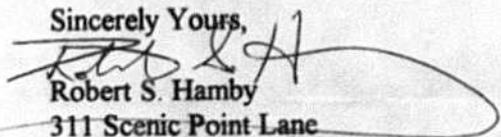
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As the Chief Operations Officer for Beazer Homes Corp., Jacksonville division, I find it appalling that a developer could treat his customers with such disregard for their health and safety. In my fifteen years experience in residential land development and construction, I have never dealt with a more dishonest, manipulative, and vindictive man as Jim Younge. I implore you to protect us from this man.

I hereby request that the above application be denied and this Authority instead be granted to the Clay County Water and Sewer Authority.

Sincerely Yours,



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