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- **DATE:** December 22, 2020
- **TO:** Office of Commission Clerk (Teitzman)
- **FROM:** Office of the General Counsel (Osborn, Crawford) *JSC* Division of Engineering (Kistner, Ellis, Thompson) *TR*
- **RE:** Docket No. 20200226-SU Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County, by Environmental Utilities, LLC.
- AGENDA: 01/05/21 Regular Agenda Rule Waiver and Proposed Agency Action -Interested Persons May Participate

COMMISSIONERS ASSIGNED: All Commissioners

- PREHEARING OFFICER: Brown
- CRITICAL DATES: 01/12/21 (90-Day Statutory Deadline to Address Rule Waiver)

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: None

Case Background

On October 13, 2020, Environmental Utilities, LLC. (EU or Utility) filed its application for an original wastewater certificate in Charlotte County. The area is in the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD). There are 1,164 existing equivalent residential connections (ERCs) and 1,683 potential ERCs in the proposed service area. Virtually all are single family residences. These properties are all currently being served by septic tanks. The Utility intends to begin serving customers by December 2022.

The Utility's initial application was found to be deficient and the Utility is in the process of correcting the deficiencies. On October 14, 2020, the Utility filed a petition for temporary waiver of portions of Rule 25-30.033, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), so that the Utility's initial rates and charges might be set at a date subsequent to the granting of the certificate of authorization. The

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COMMISSION CONFERENCE AGENDA

CONFERENCE DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, January 5, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Betty Easley Conference Center, Joseph P. Cresse Hearing Room 148

DATE ISSUED: December 22, 2020

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