CORRESPONDENCE 3/15/2022 DOCUMENT NO. 01904-2022

Antonia Hover

From:

Hannah Barker

Sent: To: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 2:33 PM Commissioner Correspondence

Subject:

Docket Correspondence

Attachments:

RE Docket#20200226-SU; RE RE. Docket #20200226-SU; RE Docket #20200226-SU Request for PSC to deny EU's application for wastewater service.; RE RE. Docket #20200226-SU - 381 Kettle Harbor; RE LGI sewer; RE Docket #20200226-SU; RE DOCKET #20200226-SU; RE DOCKET #20200226-SU; RE DOCKET #

20200226-SU

Good afternoon,

Please place the attached emails in Docket No. 20200226.

Hannah E. Branum

Executive Assistant to Commissioner Clark Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850) 413-6004

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:55 PM

To:

'bhurt@tampabay.rr.com'

Subject:

RE: Docket#20200226-SU

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County, by Environmental Utilities, LLC—Docket No. 20200226. I know how concerning it can be when presented with a possible change regarding utilities.

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Thank you, again, for contacting me. I appreciate the opportunity to hear your concerns.

Sincerely,

Gary F. Clark
Commissioner
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399
(850) 413-6038

From: bhurt@tampabay.rr.com <bhurt@tampabay.rr.com>

Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2022 11:06 AM

To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; 'Commissioner.' <LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Clark <Commissioner.Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo <Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>

Cc: kayehurt@att.net

Subject: Docket#20200226-SU

Please refer to attachment. Thank you

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:54 PM

To:

'Michelle Presnell'

Subject:

RE: RE. Docket #20200226-SU

Dear Ms. Presnell,

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County, by Environmental Utilities, LLC—Docket No. 20200226. I know how concerning it can be when presented with a possible change regarding utilities.

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Sincerely,

Gary F. Clark Commissioner Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850) 413-6038

From: Michelle Presnell kmp5983@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2022 6:51 PM

To: Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>

Subject: Fwd: RE. Docket #20200226-SU

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Michelle Presnell < kmp5983@yahoo.com>

Date: February 5, 2022 at 6:44:27 PM EST

To: clerk@psc.state.fl.us

Subject: RE. Docket #20200226-SU

Hello,

My name is Michelle Presnell. My husband Ken and I are owners of two units in the Don Pedro Colony on Palm Island.

I am writing to you to formally request that the EU application for wastewater be denied. There are several concerns shared by my husband and I as well as many others on the Island. The main concerns for us are the following:

- •The fact that there hasn't been any soil testing done to prove the need for sewer on the Island plus the potential of sewer spill into the intercostal.
- The cost of the mandatory hook up along with added monthly costs from the waste water which doesn't included added costs from electric and upgrades needed for said systems. Please take these concerns into consideration and deny the Application for the Original Certificate of Authorization for this proposed sewer system.

Thank you for your time and consideration, Michelle Presnell 301 South Gulf Blvd units 17 & 18. (Palm Island) Placida, Florida 33946

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:54 PM

To:

'Helen Blyth'

Subject:

RE: Docket #20200226-SU: Request for PSC to deny EU's application for wastewater

service.

Dear Ms. Blyth,

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County, by Environmental Utilities, LLC—Docket No. 20200226. I know how concerning it can be when presented with a possible change regarding utilities.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Helen Blyth <durbsgal@gmail.com> Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2022 12:52 PM

To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Office of Commissioner La Rosa <Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>;

Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo

<Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>

Subject: Docket #20200226-SU: Request for PSC to deny EU's application for wastewater service.

- > To whom it may concern,
- > My husband and I built our house on LGI starting in 2015. We recently retired and will be realizing our dream of living on the island full time this year. We will be on a fixed income and the proposed private central sewer with its capital and monthly costs are unaffordable. There are no proposed provisions for either a payment plan over a reasonable time period , nor any government grants and it does not include the cost of hook up to my house. Please note these costs are only estimates and so the final cost will be beyond most residents ability to pay therefore defeating the entire point of the project .
- > We already pay a huge property tax and judging by the cost of the water supply and with the hook up fee by the same people I have zero confidence in this proposed PRIVATE project.

- > Regards, > Helen Blyth > 9520 Jolly Roger Trail Little Gasparilla Island

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:53 PM

To:

'Ember Harker'

Subject:

RE: RE. Docket #20200226-SU - 381 Kettle Harbor

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From: Ember Harker <ember@launchsnap.com> Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2022 11:36 AM

To: Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>

Subject: RE. Docket #20200226-SU - 381 Kettle Harbor

Dear Commissioner Clark,

I'm writing to you in regard to Docket #20200226-SU. My name is Ember Harker, ember@launchsnap.com. I'm currently building a new home at 381 Kettle Harbor Drive on Palm Island. This will be our primary residence where we plan to stay as long as we are able.

My family has been coming to this island for decades. The unique charm of this island simply cannot be imagined. From the car ferry that takes you onto the island, to the sand roads and golf carts, to the hawks, dolphins, manatees and gopher tortoises, to houses floating on stilts in the air, and the pristine white sand and blue water beaches...palm island is without question, magical.

We feel a profound sense of gratitude to be able to build our forever home on this island. We've dreamed of it for years but it's been financially out of our grasp. In order to build this home, we sold our home and have been living with my inlaws until our house is built. Imagine moving in with your mom at 50 years old...that's how committed we are to making this dream come true.

Our home isn't huge by most standards but it's every penny we can afford and part of that is a brand new, state of the art septic system. Which brings me to the proposed sewer service. I oppose this proposal for several reasons:

- 1. There's no consideration for the age of the septic system. Instead everyone would be forced to transition to the sewer regardless of the age of the system or need to be replaced. It makes no sense to rip out a brand new system.
- 2. We simply cannot afford it. We've put everything into this house and having to come up with such a huge chunk of money for a service we don't want and did not request after having just put in a brand new septic would be an incredible burden.
- 3. There is a complete lack of transparency around the financial implications of the proposed sewer. I don't feel that adequate due diligence has been performed and do not feel any sense of confidence about the cost of this endeavor short term or long term.
- 4. There's no proven need for sewer. We are strong advocates for greener living and plan to have a chemical free property. We've read the research and do not see any credible need for sewer nor proof that the septic systems on the island are causing harm.
- 5. I do not feel that the applicant has the technical experience appropriate to take on such a project. I'm not sure why someone who has never done a project like this would even apply or ever be granted a permit.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Ember Harker

415 706 2557 | LaunchSnap.com

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:52 PM

To: Subject: 'RANDY LEVY' RE: LGI sewer

Dear Mr. Levy,

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County, by Environmental Utilities, LLC—Docket No. 20200226. I know how concerning it can be when presented with a possible change regarding utilities.

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Gary F. Clark Commissioner Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399 (850) 413-6038

----Original Message----

From: RANDY LEVY < randotter@aol.com > Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2022 10:00 AM

To: Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>

Cc: Petrina Iverson <ratrinalevy@gmail.com>

Subject: LGI sewer

We are at 8816 Grand Ave on LGI. We are in favor of the sewer proposal. The septic system failure and non maintenance on the island is a joke. With heavy rains the overflow is disgusting. The replacement cost of septic is well in excess of \$25,000 per system.

A managed sewer system is an asset for us as home owners.

Rand Levy 6128898776 cell

Rand Levy 6128898776 cell

From: Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:52 PM

To: 'Heather L Robertson'
Subject: RE: Docket #20200226-SU

Dear Ms. Stout,

Thank you for contacting me regarding the Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County, by Environmental Utilities, LLC—Docket No. 20200226. I know how concerning it can be when presented with a possible change regarding utilities.

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From: Heather L Robertson < webdeziner1@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, February 04, 2022 9:54 AM

To: Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner La Rosa

<Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo

<Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>; Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>

Subject: Docket #20200226-SU

Dear Commissioners,

There appears to be inaccuracies and confusion regarding names of islands, places and utilities and organizations pertaining to several documents and information in this case.

First of all there is no official Palm Island. Palm Island is a local colloquialism for some undefined part of Knight and/or Don Pedro Island.

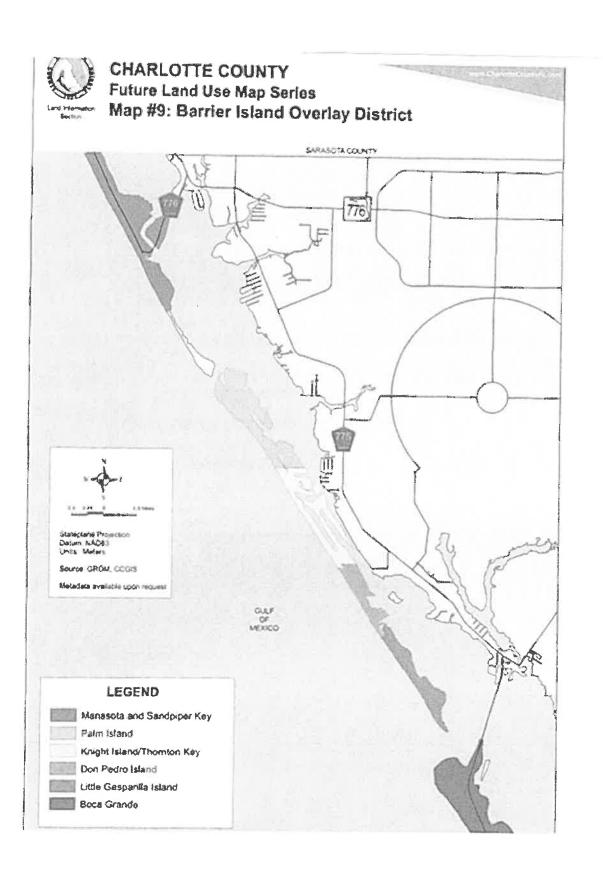
Following is a list of names associated with this case: Knight Island, Palm Island Resort, Palm Island Estates Association (PIE), Palm Island Estates Subdivision, Knight Island Utilities (WWTP), Don Pedro Island, Don Pedro Island State Park, Bocilla Utilities

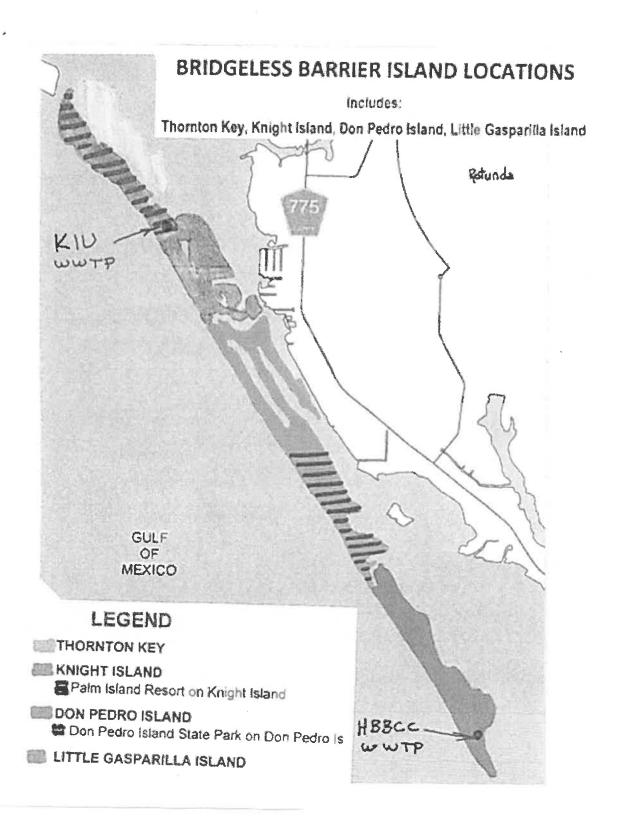
(Water Utility), Little Gasparilla Island, Little Gasparilla Utilities, Little Gasparilla Water Utilities, Bocilla Chain of Islands (Thornton Key, Knight Island, Don Pedro Island and Little Gasparilla Island) and Hideaway Bay Beach Club Condominium WWTP.

Historically there were four separate islands which are now physically connected, but not all are connected to each other in regards to transportation access because access north and south is restricted by Don Pedro Island State Park. Hence the necessity for two separate barging services.

Charlotte County Future Land Use Map Series, Map #9 Barrier Island Overlay District (included) is inaccurate as well as maps and figures in the Charlotte County Master Plan and other Charlotte County Documents.

Please see the corrected map of the "Islands".





Sincerely, Heather L Stout Full Time Island Resident

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:52 PM

To:

'John Adams'

Subject:

RE: Docket #20200226-SU

Dear Mr. Adams,

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From: John Adams <jda600@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 02, 2022 12:41 PM

To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Office of Commissioner La Rosa < Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>;

Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo

<Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>

Subject: Docket #20200226-SU

Dear Sirs.

I am John Adams, the Managing Partner of Shere Properties, LLC which owns two properties affected by the proposed central sewer system on Don Pedro Island and I am writing to <u>object to the Application for Original Certificate of Authorization</u> that is the subject of <u>Docket #20200226-SU</u> and to formally ask that the Florida Public Service Commission to <u>deny Environmental Utilities</u>, LLC application for a wastewater certificate.

My **arguments in opposition** to the application by Environmental Utilities, LLC for a wastewater certificate for a central sewer, are as follows:

1) The need for such a service has not yet been demonstrated and no water quality testing has been done in the proposed service area to prove the need for sewer. This project brings the potential for destruction of habitat and interference with endangered species such as the gopher tortoise.

- 2) The environmental risk aspects of such a system have not been evaluated and the risk of a major central sewer leak with a subaqueous crossing is greater than the risk of one or more septic systems developing minor leaks.
- 3) The applicant has ZERO technical experience of installing and managing such an undertaking. In addition, the applicant has not addressed how the system will be serviced in the event of failure during a storm or other adverse conditions nor how sewage back-up into homes will be prevented in times of disruption of power or service. Additionally there is no proposed grandfathering of septic systems regardless of age or condition.
- 4) The financial experience of the applicant's management is extremely poor and, it has been reported, comprises an individual that is a discharged bankrupt.
- 5) The applicant is not a contractor that has won a bid to install sewer and therefore there is no "contract" and no single point of general oversight neither is there a performance bond required and so customers will have no single point of recourse in the event of cost overruns or project failure.
- 6) The rates proposed by the applicant are excessive and far in excess of those currently being paid by like communities and are <u>approximately double</u> those that a ratepayer on the mainland in Rotonda pays per month for <u>water and wastewater combined</u>.

I believe Charlotte County and the State need to re-evaluate this whole project and, if demonstrated to be necessary, should establish a Utility District to Install and operate any recommended system.

Regards,

J. D. Adams
For and on Behalf of Shere Properties LLC
(1) 832-758-7479 (mobile)
(1) 281-354-4641 (office)
ida600@hotmail.com

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:51 PM

To:

'b kro'

Subject:

RE: DOCKET #20200226-SU

Dear Mr. and Ms. Kroslak,

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From: b kro <bkfishing@outlook.com>

Sent: Wednesday, February 02, 2022 9:47 AM

To: Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>

Subject: Fwd: DOCKET #20200226-SU

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: b kro < bkfishing@outlook.com>
Date: February 2, 2022 at 9:45:35 AM EST

To: Clerk@psc.state.fl.us

Subject: Fwd: DOCKET #20200226-SU

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: sales@kroslakent.com

Date: February 1, 2022 at 12:02:04 PM EST

To: bkfishing@outlook.com
Subject: DOCKET #20200226-SU

Dear Commissioners:

WE ARE FORMALLY REQUESTING THAT THE PSC DENY EU'S APPLICATION FOR WASTEWATER SERVICE

Our names are Benjamin and Caroline Kroslak. As homeowners on Little Gasparilla Island, located at 9424 Rum Runner Rd, Lot #18, we would like to voice our OBJECTION for a certificate being granted to Environmental Utilities, LLC.

We are appealing to you with due respect because we feel that it is your responsibility as public servants to protect the interest of the taxpayers and homeowners, and not that of private enterprise.

There are many unanswered concerns. To name a few:

- It's unacceptable to turn this project over to an LLC that has ZERO experience in installing and operating a sewer system of this magnitude. We believe Charlotte County should be the one in charge of this.
- 2. Undefined cost both for installation and monthly dues, as well as maintenance
- 3. There is NO NEED for this type of sewer system. Existing septic systems that people have are functional. If they weren't, the county would not be issuing new permits for new systems.
- 4. Potential environmental impact because of failed sewer system components.
- 5. Logistics to the island we have no bridges everything comes across by boat.
- 6. Environmental Utilities, LLC has not shown that they are financially capable to finance this project and they offer no financing to the homeowners.
- 7. This will be a significant financial burden to the homeowners.
- 8. Too much uncertainty about this whole project.

We thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Benjamin and Caroline Kroslak bkfishing@outlook.com

From:

Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent:

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:51 PM

To:

'irmasurvivor@yahoo.com'

Subject:

RE: DOCKET #20200226-SU

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From: irmasurvivor@yahoo.com <irmasurvivor@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 01, 2022 11:57 AM

To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Office of Commissioner La Rosa < Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>;

Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo

<Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>

Cc: pie@palmislandestates.org Subject: DOCKET #20200226-SU

Dear Commissioners:

WE ARE FORMALLY REQUESTING THAT THE PSC DENY EU'S APPLICATION FOR WASTEWATER SERVICE

Our names are Aaron, Rachael and Adam Kroslak. As homeowners on Little Gasparilla Island, located at 9424 Rum Runner Rd, Lot #18, we would like to voice our OBJECTION for a certificate being granted to Environmental Utilities, LLC.

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Respectfully,

Aaron, Rachael and Adam Kroslak irmasurvivor@yahoo.com

From: Office of Commissioner Clark

Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 1:50 PM

To: 'Olga Kroslak'

Subject: RE: DOCKET #20200226-SU

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From: Olga Kroslak <gogijoe76@hotmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, February 01, 2022 11:54 AM

To: Records Clerk < CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Office of Commissioner La Rosa < Commissioner.LaRosa@psc.state.fl.us>;

Office of Commissioner Clark < Commissioner. Clark@psc.state.fl.us>; Office of Commissioner Passidomo

<Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>

Cc: pie@palmislandestates.org **Subject:** DOCKET #20200226-SU

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