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From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2024 3:40 PM

To: Consumer Correspondence **Subject:** Docket No. 20220142

Attachments: gary-larimer-correspondence0327.pdf; Consumer Inquiry - Grenelefe Resort Utility, Inc.

; Re: Consumer Inquiry - Grenelefe Resort Utility, Inc. ; RE: Consumer Inquiry - Grenelefe

Resort Utility, Inc.

See attached customer correspondence and reply for Docket No. 20220142.

Mr. Frederick House NC Real Estate Projects LLC D/B/A Grenelefe Utility 5147 Lakeland Dr. Ste 2 Lakeland, FL 33813



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Dear Mr. House:

Your March 6, 2024 Notice dealing with transfer of Grenelefe Resort Utility water and wastewater facilities to your company did not address questions about the utility operation and water safety. The more important questions are listed below:

What expertise does NC Real Estate Projects have in water utility operation and safety? If you propose to subcontract these tasks, who will be the subcontractors?

Are you prepared to issue a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) in July 2024? As you know this is required by Federal and Florida State law. Will that report include test results for PFAS?

What is your plan to address boil water notification? In the past, in many cases, when water pressure dropped to zero, no boil water notification was issued by the utility. When a notification was provided it was in the form of a small, unreadable, piece of paper tacked to a pole, or a generator trailer with a lighted Boil Water sign stationed on one road leading into the area. A better solution would be to notify customers with a text or email message, in addition to generator trailers position on all main roads leading into the service area.

What are your plans to address the Environmental Working Group (EWG.ORG) concerns? The EWG data base for Grenelefe Resort Utility tap water for the years 2014-2019 shows compliance with federal safety standards but also indicates several contaminates that are significantly above EWG recommendations. The most significant EWG concerns/problems are: 1) Arsenic, 306 times recommendations (306x); 2) Haloacetic acids, 43x; 3) Nitrate, 17x; 4) Radium, 9x;

and 5) Total trihalomethanes, 93x. These contaminates all have the potential to cause Cancer.

What are your plans to correct billing problems? Sporadic billing and overbilling have been serious problems. The errors, some in the hundreds of dollars, almost always benefitted the utility. Errors also resulted in some water shut offs.

We look forward to your reply. If you have any question, please call or email me.

Gary Larimer

Arrowhead Lakes HOA

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Copy: 1) Office of Commission Clerk, Florida Public Service Commission

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- 3) Concerned HOAs serviced by Grenelefe Resort Utility



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From: Ellen Plendl

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2024 4:22 PM

To: 'garylarimer@yahoo.com'

Subject: Consumer Inquiry - Grenelefe Resort Utility, Inc.

Mr. Gary Larimer Arrowhead Lakes HOA garylarimer@yahoo.com

RE: FPSC Inquiry 1441678C

Dear Mr. Larimer:

This is an acknowledgement of your e-mail to the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) regarding Grenelefe Resort Utility, Inc.

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The FPSC has jurisdiction over rates and service provided by Grenelefe. However, boil water notices and water quality issues fall under the jurisdiction of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). You may contact FDEP by using the following information:

Florida Department of Environmental Protection Office of Citizen Services 3900 Commonwealth Blvd. MS49 Tallahassee, FL 32399

Telephone: 850-245-2118 Facsimile: 850-245-2128

If you or fellow Grenelefe customers have specific service or billing concerns about an individual account, you or your neighbors may use our complaint form by using the following url or toll-free telephone number:

Complaint Form: https://www.floridapsc.com/consumer-complaint-form

Telephone: 800-342-3552

I hope this information is useful. Please contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Ellen Plendl
Regulatory Analyst IV
Florida Public Service Commission
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From: Gary Larimer <garylarimer@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2024 11:04 AM

To: Ellen Plendl

Subject: Re: Consumer Inquiry - Grenelefe Resort Utility, Inc.

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Dear Mr. Larimer:

Thank you for your reply. My apologies, yes, your correspondence was indeed a first class stamped letter.

I have requested Grenelefe staff contact you directly regarding the concerns you outlined in your correspondence.

I will also add your correspondence to Docket No. 20220142 regarding Grenelefe's application for transfer of water and wastewater facilities and Certificate Nos. 589-W and 507-S from Grenelefe Resort Utility, Inc. to NC Real Estate Projects, LLC d/b/a Grenelefe Utility, in Polk County.

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