

Yvette Gillespie

From: Yvette Gillespie on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Monday, April 8, 2024 10:17 AM
To: 'Paul Sarofim'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Docket # 20240032-SU

Good morning Paul Sarofim,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20240032, and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Sincerely,

Yvette Gillespie

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Sent: Saturday, April 6, 2024 7:55 AM
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; Office of Commissioner Clark <Commissioner.Clark@psc.state.fl.us>
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Subject: Docket # 20240032-SU

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To Clerk of the Commission:

My name is Paul Sarofim and I own 9254 Little Gasparilla Island, which is within the proposed sewer service area for Little Gasparilla Island. **I am formally objecting to the sewer proposal and request that the PSC deny the Application for Original Certificate of Authorization for Environmental Utilities, LLC (EU) for a central sewer system for Little Gasparilla Island.**

The proposed connection charges for the sewer system have ranged from \$11,000 to \$20,000 and it does not appear that sufficient engineering studies have been conducted to verify the pricing provided is even needed or justified. The proposed monthly sewer charges are VERY high compared to other utility rates. For the residents of Little Gasparilla Island, we already pay high monthly rates for the

water system. I currently pay around \$75 per month for water with little water usage. Adding the proposed monthly sewer charges would bring the monthly water and sewer charges to over \$250 a month which is a ridiculous monthly charge for water and sewer compared to other local utilities.

With the 300 +/- homes on LGI, most being vacation rentals, I would assume that usage would be <50% of normal usage, thus the lack of need for a central sewer system, especially one being implemented by EU.

In conclusion, due to the lack of technical expertise of the applicant, and inability to provide fair and equitable rates, I formally request that Environmental Utilities, LLC Application to provide sewer service to Little Gasparilla Island be denied.

Sincerely,

Paul Sarofim

Property Owner: 9254 Little Gasparilla Island

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