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

Sincerely,

Yvette Gillespie

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As homeowners at 301 S. Gulf Blvd., #430, Placida, FL 33946 ("Palm Island"), please find attached our letter in opposition to Environmental Utilities, LLC's application to the Public Service Commission for the installation of central sewer on Palm Island.

Sincerely,

Mindy and Tirso Carreja
mcarreja@verizon.net

Tirso and Mindy Carreja
301 S. Gulf Blvd., #430
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April 18, 2024

To whom it may concern:

As homeowners at 301 S. Gulf Blvd. #430 on Palm Island, this letter states our objections to Environmental Utilities, LLC's application to the Public Service Commission for the installation of central sewer on Palm Island (the "Island").

We have never requested central sewer on the Island, nor have we been given information showing a need for the installation of central sewer on the Island. We purchased our property understanding and accepting our responsibility for maintaining our septic system in accordance with Charlotte County regulations. We have done so in accordance with the county's regulations with minimal financial cost and inconvenience to us and minimal ecological cost to the Island.

The installation of central sewer on the Island would be at a great cost to each homeowner financially. As we understand it, each homeowner would be responsible for approximately \$13,000 in direct installation costs, as well as monthly service charges, and other potential indirect charges incurred in connection with the installation of the central sewer.

The installation of central sewer on the Island would also be at a great cost to the Island ecologically. The Island is a special place with animals, flora and fauna unique to the Island. Installing central sewer on the Island would be a huge construction project, which would, without a doubt, be detrimental to the Island's plants and wildlife. The Island is still rebuilding post the devastation caused by both hurricanes Ian and Idalia. The ferry and the infrastructure cannot adequately handle more construction in the foreseeable future. Life on the Island is meant to be quiet and peaceful. Island wide installation of central sewer would be incredibly disruptive to this way of life during any installation process, as well as any upkeep process.

Without a clearly demonstrated need for central sewer, a need that would benefit homeowners and the Island and not a for profit company that hopes to benefit financially at the Island's and its homeowners expense, we are opposed to this application.

Sincerely,

Tirso and Mindy Carreja