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From: Hannah Barker
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 10:15 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket Correspondence
Attachments: DENY EU APPLICATION - RE. Docket #20240032-SU; Docket Number 20240032; Docket Number 20240032 ; DOCKET NO. 20240032-SU; Docket #20240032 - Objection Letter; Docket # 20240032; Docket #20240032; Deny the application by EU to install sewers on HBBC; Docket #20240032; DENY SEWER ON LITTLE GASPARILLA ISLAND

Good morning,

Please place the attached emails in Docket No. 20240032. Thank you!

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Charlie Smith

From: Nancy Teresa Eannetta <nte1@cornell.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2025 4:40 PM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: DENY EU APPLICATION - RE. Docket #20240032-SU

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Like the majority of homeowners on LGI, we don't think the EU proposed sewer project is a good fit due to the fragile environment and lack of infrastructure,

We don't want this sewer system to be a duplication of the water system, where Jack Boyer placed water meters and lines wherever was cheaper and more convenient for him, two on our property which belong to neighbors. Most of us have a limited amount of property, so the 15 foot easement needed for this project is unacceptable, especially since it will be taken via eminent domain.

We could go on but will end here and ask you to reject this proposal.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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Charlie Smith

From: Bridget Bush <bbush927@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2025 6:30 PM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: Docket Number 20240032

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Dear Commissioner Clark,

I am an owner at Hideaway Bay Beach Club on Little Gasparilla Island.

I strongly object to the proposed plan to bring a sewer to LGI. What is most disturbing to me is that Hideaway was specifically excluded from the plan, because we have a well-functioning septic system. Now, the permit seeker wants to build the sewage system on top of our lateral fields - which would require us to pay a half million dollars to decommission the septic system, in addition to the cost of hook up.

The way Hideaway Bay was surreptitiously added into this plan at the last minute, without our knowledge or consent, smacks of a violation of our rights to due process. I and my neighbors stand ready to fight this as hard and as long as it takes.

Thank you for your time. Please oppose this terrible plan.

Bridget Bush
9400 Little Gasparilla Island, D9

Charlie Smith

From: Joel Johnson <jejohnson1069@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 8:48 AM
To: clerk@psc.state.fl
Cc: Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith; Office of Commissioner Graham
Subject: Docket Number 20240032

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Joel Johnson. My wife, Erika Johnson and I are full-time residents of Little Gasparilla Island at 9400 Little Gasparilla Island Unit F8 which is part of the Hideaway Bay Beach Club condos. (HBBC).

I am writing this letter to ask you to **deny** the application by Environmental Utilities for a certificate to install sewers on our island.

EU made the change to the location of the waste water transmission line from Don Pedro State Park to the Hideaway Bay Beach Club, HBBC property. Even though we were excluded from the scope of this application on May 13, 2024 (Doc # 03001-2024) by EU's attorney, this change directly affects every one of the owners at HBBC. We were not notified of this substantial change to the application. This is a direct violation of one of the tenets by which the PSC should base their decision - proper notification of all involved parties. This change to the application without notification denies the owners at Hideaway Bay Beach Club (HBBC) of our due process to be able to fight this change.

The letter from the HBBC lawyer, Nick Porter dated February 28, 2025 (Doc #01210-2025) also states HBBC's position in this matter. I was extremely disappointed the PSC staff did not take into account this oversight in notification in their recommendation.

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If EU plans to use the model as indicated in the 2017 CC SMP, the pump house for the sewer will be built on the HBBC Septic Plant drain field. Building anything on our drain field will result in the community being shut down completely while the construction is underway. It will also force us to hook up to the EU sewer despite being excluded from the scope of this project. How can this be done without any kind of notification? Again, 132 families are being denied our due process.

Because we were excluded from the scope of this application, there have been no estimates of the hook up costs for the condos. If this scenario plays out, HBBC would have to be the first people forced to hook up to the sewer system. We wouldn't have any recourse to this questionable action by EU, we wouldn't have any indication of the costs associated with this action, we wouldn't be able to use our homes resulting in additional living expenses until the initial sewer construction was completed and we would have to assume the costs of decommissioning our septic plant. Is this fair & reasonable for the 132 families that are excluded from the scope of this application.

132 families that are directly affected have not been notified. 132 families currently using a DEP permitted septic plant do not need a sewer line brought to our property. 132 families have no idea what the financial burden will be if this transmission line is brought to our property.

Please deny this application.

Best Regards,

Joel and Erika Johnson
Hideaway Bay Beach Club Unit Owners F8

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Charlie Smith

From: KALLEN112@tampabay.rr.com
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 9:01 AM
To: Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith; Office of Commissioner Graham
Subject: DOCKET NO. 20240032-SU
Importance: High

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Commissioners,

AGAIN, we implore you to DENY EU's Application for sewer on Don Pedro Island and surrounding barrier islands in connection with Don Pedro Island.

There is NO need for central sewer systems on the island. As indicated in numerous emails to you in the past, the financial impact and ecological impact do NOT warrant a sewer system. We, as well as MANY island residents, are AGAINST sewer on the island.

Please deny EU's application on April 1, 2025.

Thank you for your assistance and listening to YOUR VOTERS!
Greg and Kelley Allen
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Charlie Smith

From: Harry Vaughn <harrytvaughn@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 9:03 AM
To: clerk@psc.state.fl; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith; Office of Commissioner Graham
Cc: Harry Vaughn
Subject: Docket #20240032 - Objection Letter

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Dear Commissioners,

I am Harry Vaughn, owner of Unit K10 at LGI, 9400 Little Gasparilla Island, within the Hideaway Bay Beach Club Condominiums (HBBC). I respectfully urge you to deny Environmental Utilities' (EU) application for a Certificate of Authorization to install sewers on our island.

It is deeply troubling that, despite the EU's initial representation excluding HBBC—and by extension, the 132 families who reside here—from its proposed service area, the EU has now unilaterally modified its project. On May 2, 2024, Hideaway Bay submitted an objection to the EU's wastewater certification, and on May 13, 2024, the EU amended its application to remove HBBC and Placida Beach condominiums from its service area. In that filing, the EU stated it was never its intent to apply its septic-to-sewer project to our community. Yet, in its recent rebuttal testimony and technical hearing, the EU introduced significant, last-minute changes to its wastewater collection system design. Notably, the EU now proposes two new force mains connecting the system to the mainland, including an 8-inch pressure main that will cross HBBC's property—a stark departure from its earlier plan of a single force main routed from Don Pedro/Little Knight Island across the Cape Haze peninsula.

These modifications have profound implications for our community. The new proposal not only contradicts EU's prior representations but also incorporates a proposed stub-out for a future connection to HBBC and Placida Beach condominiums. This is particularly alarming given that our interests were explicitly excluded from the project scope. The revised plan could jeopardize our existing wastewater treatment facility—an asset managed by Hideaway Bay under a permit from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection—and impose unforeseen financial and operational burdens on our community. Construction on our septic plant drain field could force a shutdown of our wastewater service, compel us to connect to the EU system without proper due process, and expose us to unknown hookup and decommissioning costs.

Furthermore, the EU's failure to notify HBBC of these substantial changes is a direct violation of the due process owed to us. Despite the clear and material impact on our property and our community's interests, the EU neither addressed these concerns during the hearings nor provided proper notice of these hearings, further denying us the opportunity to respond.

In light of these serious issues—the abrupt and unnotified modifications to the EU's proposal, the direct threat to our existing infrastructure, and the potential for significant financial burdens—I respectfully request that you deny the EU's application in order to protect the rights and interests of all HBBC owners.

Sincerely,

Harry Vaughn

Charlie Smith

From: Keelan Armstrong <keearm@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 10:14 AM
To: Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith; Office of Commissioner Graham
Subject: Docket # 20240032

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Dear Sirs and/or Madams,

We are owners of 2 condos in Hideaway Bay Beach Club on Little Gasparilla Island in Charlotte County, Florida. It has come to our attention that a proposed sewer line location has been moved from Don Pedro State Park area to our property at Hideaway Bay Beach Club without any regard to us. We were not included in the scope of the application on May 13, 2024 (Doc #03001-2024) and were not notified of the change to the application even though it would greatly affect our condominium community. We were denied our due process to be able to voice our opinions on this change.

The plans by Environmental Utilities now have the sewer line running right up through our barge landing, which would subsequently be unusable by us. As we are a bridgeless barrier island then any large items would not be able to reach our community. In addition, the pump house for the sewer will be built right on our septic field in their plans! Our septic system successfully serves not only our community at Hideaway Bay Beach Club (102 units) but also Placida Beach island condominium community. If a pump house is put on our drain field, it would render our septic system unusable, would force us to hook up to the sewer system (at what cost to each of us?) and would also force us to decommission our septic system at our expense (up to half a million dollar proposed cost to do this). We were not included in any of the talks and plans as our system was deemed perfectly fine and usable for our communities. We have not been informed of any costs to us. We were denied any due process for these ridiculous proposals. Were they trying to sneak these plans under the radar knowing we would likely deny them?

Please, please deny this application by Environmental Utilities. We have not been allowed our voices on this matter. Again, please deny this application.

Thank you for your time,
William and Keelan Armstrong, Hideaway Bay Beach Club Units K1 and G6

Charlie Smith

From: Roederer, Chris <croederer@tgh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 10:04 AM
To: Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Clark
Cc: aroederer@outlook.com
Subject: Docket #20240032

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Chris Roederer, owner of I-9 condo at 9400 Little Gasparilla Island (Hideaway Bay Beach Club). The purpose of my email is to request that you deny the application by Environmental Utilities for a certificate to install sewers on our island.

EU made a change to the location of the waste water transmission line from Don Pedro State Park to the HBBC property. HBBC was excluded from the scope of this application on May 13, 2024(Doc#03001-2024) by EU's attorney. This change directly affects all of the owners at Hideaway Bay. It's quite disturbing that we were not notified of this substantial change to the application. This appears to violate one of the reasons upon which the PSC should base their decision which is "proper notification of all involved parties." This change to the application without notification denies the owners at HBBC of our due process and legal right to be able to fight this change.

The letter from the HBBC attorney, Nick Porter, dated February 28,2025 (Doc#01210-2025) also states HBBC's position in this matter. I am terribly disturbed that the PSC staff did not take into account this oversight in notification in their recommendation.

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If EU plans to use the model as indicated in the 2017 CC SMP, the pump house for the sewer will be built on the HBBC Septic Plant drain field. Building anything on our drain field will result in the community being shut down completely while the construction is underway. How can we justly be denied the use of our own property? It will also FORCE HBBC owners to hook up to the EU sewer, despite being excluded from the scope of this project because we have our own operational(and permitted) sewer system. How can this be done without any kind of notification. Again, 132 families are being denied our due process.

Because we were excluded from the scope of this application, there have been no estimates of the hook up costs for the condos. If this project moves forward, HBBC would have to be the first people forced to hook up to the sewer system. We would have no recourse to this questionable action by EU, we would have no indication of the costs associated with this action, we would have loss of use of our homes until the sewer construction is completed and we would have to assume the costs of decommissioning our workable septic plant. Do you believe that this is fair for the 132 families that are excluded from the scope of this application?

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Please do the right thing and deny this application.

Chris

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From: ivan moravcik <njdevils62@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 10:02 AM
To: clerk@psc.state.fl; Office of Commissioner Clark;
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Subject: Deny the application by EU to install sewers on HBBC

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Dear Commissioner

Our names are Maria and Ivan Moravcik. We are owners of LGI at 9400 Little Gasparilla island Unit K-3 which is part of the Hideaway Bay Beach Club Condos (HBBC).

We are writing this letter to ask you to DENY the application by Enviromental Utilities(EU) for a certificate to install sewers on our island.

Even though we were excluded from the scope of this application on May 13 2024(Doc# 03001-2024)by EU's attorney,this change directly affects everyone of the owners at HBBC. We were not notified of this substantial change of the application.

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Because we were excluded from this scope of this application,there have been no estimate of the hook-up cost for the condos. We would not be able to use our condos resulting in additional living expenses until the initial sewer construction completed and we would have to assume the costs of decommissioning our septic plant.

Please do the right thing and DENY this application.

Sincerely Maria&Ivan Moravcik
HBBC Unit K-3

Charlie Smith

From: Anita Roederer <aroederer@outlook.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 9:55 AM
To: Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: Docket #20240032

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Anita Roederer and I am an owner at Hideaway Bay Beach Club I-9 condos. The address is 9400 Little Gasparilla Island. This place is truly my paradise and respite. I am writing this letter to ask you to deny the application by Environmental Utilities for a certificate to install sewers on our island.

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Please do the right thing and deny this application.

Very Sincerely,
Anita Roederer
HBBC owner, Unit I-9

Anita R. Roederer

Charlie Smith

From: Karin Leereveld <karinleereveld@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2025 9:46 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith
Subject: DENY SEWER ON LITTLE GASPARILLA ISLAND

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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Karin Leereveld and I am a resident of LGI at 9400 Little Gasparilla Island Unit K2 which is part of the Hideaway Bay Beach Club condos. (HBBC). I am writing this letter to ask you to **deny** the application by Environmental Utilities for a certificate to install sewers on our island.

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Please do the right thing and deny this application. PLEASE confirm receipt of this email.

Thank you, Karin

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