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Re: Rainbow Springs - Utilities L.C.
Notice of Application for Extension of Service Area; Dated, December 16, 1997

Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of the notice referenced above. I have been a property owner in the Woodlands Section of the Rainbow Springs Development in Marion County for the past twenty years.

When building my retirement home I, as did all of my neighbors, went to great expense to install a fresh water well and septic system. My systems function well and neither I, nor any of my neighbors are dissatisfied with our in place systems, or are in need of public water or sewers.

I and the majority of my neighbors are retired and live on fixed incomes. The costs associated with the proposed extension of the service area could very well jeopardize my and many of my neighbors' ability to keep our retirement homes.

It bothers me that this proposal seems to be being rushed through the approval process. A thirty day response date encompassing a very busy holiday season gives the appearance that a concerted effort is underway to exclude many who would not support this proposal.

ACK _____ I, along with many of my neighbors, respectfully request that the Florida Public Service Commission delay all official action on this proposal until such time as property owners within the Woodlands section of Rainbow Springs have had a legitimate, reasonable amount of time to APP _____ organize and present its views on this proposal to ensure a fair hearing on it.

CAF _____
CMU _____ Respectfully Submitted,
CTR _____

EAG _____
LEG _____ *Robert E. McCarthy*
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