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**Petition in objection for Lazy S application for a utility in existence and rate change**

Re: Lazy S Water Utility Service Area / (The Colinas Group Inc.)  
Application for original certificate for a utility in existence and changing rates

In objection for Lazy S/The Colinas Group Inc. above mentioned application. It needs to be further known that the Lazy S/The Colinas Group Inc. water system is not operating to code as it was discussed in a meeting over a year and a half ago with The Colinas Group Inc. and the

CMP \_\_\_\_\_

COM \_\_\_\_\_ service area homeowners.

CTR \_\_\_\_\_

ECR \_\_\_\_\_ There are severe water leaks which is causing Lazy S/The Colinas Group Inc. to loose profit, but

GCL \_\_\_\_\_ rather than fixing the problem as they promised over a year and a half ago, they just raised their

OPC \_\_\_\_\_

MMS \_\_\_\_\_ rates so that each property owner living in their service area pays an absurd amount for water.

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No one operates off a meter because some of them do not work, and instead of fixing them as promised, the Lazy S/The Colinas Group Inc. simply ignores all meters and charges everyone the same rate. So a home with a family of five or more, pays the same high price as a single person that lives alone and uses much less water.

Prior to the meeting a year and a half ago, the meters were read and billed accordingly. But when The Colinas Group Inc. got involved they said they had to make up a deficit and raise rates TEMPORARILY to \$35.50 per month for one year and collect a refundable deposit of \$35.50 per home for one year to do repairs and then meters would be read and rates would be lowered and the deposits would be paid back to the homeowners. **NO REFUNDS WERE GIVEN!!!**

The current rate is \$35.50 which is three times higher than some homeowners were paying at the time, and was only passed because the Lazy S/Colinas Group Inc. promised to have the piping corrected and meters in place within one year. Now instead of doing the needed work so they could bill their customers for what was really used. They are wasting an undocumented number of gallons of precious water each month due to ignored needed repairs.

The increased rates that were already paid in the past year and a half only lined the owners wallets and the funds were not used for what was promised to the homeowners living in their service areas.

PLEASE PAY HEED to this request and investigate with the appropriate officials.

These families are on low and fixed incomes and can't afford to be railroaded by this company any longer. We beg for assistance to make Lazy S <sup>COLINAS</sup> keep their word and start operating legitimately.

I think of times when water restrictions are set due to water shortages, and the Lazy S Utilities <sup>COLINAS</sup> is dumping large volumes of water away due to the leaking. This should not be overlooked. The pipes and meters should be fixed and the customers should be paying for their use at a reasonable rate and not a penny more since they have over paid for the past year and a half to help Lazy S <sup>COLINAS</sup> with repairs that were never done. It would seem that Lazy S <sup>COLINAS</sup> owes each property owner a refund for not fulfilling the work as promised.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1) Debra S. Hill    | 8436 Maid Marions Trail 33809 |
| 2) George Gaylor    | 1613 Faye Street              |
| 3) Clifford & Lou   | 1504 Lawn Place               |
| 4) Kenneth Lawrence | 1511 S. Westgate Ave          |
| 5) Margaret Wilson  | 1519 Alice Ave.               |
| 6) Margaret Wilson  | 1507 Lawn Place               |
| 7)                  | 1509 Lawn Place               |
| 8)                  | 1511 Lawn Place               |
| 9)                  | 1510 Lawn Place               |
| 10)                 | 1512 Lawn Place               |
| 11)                 | 1514 Lawn Place               |
| 12)                 | 1516 Lawn Place               |
| 13)                 | 1518 Lawn Place               |

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| 14) Bernetta Wilson    | 1520 Laura Place      |
| 15) Roberta Jeffery    | 1606 Faye St.         |
| 16) Margie M. Hutchins | 1611 Faye St.         |
| 17) Dora Roy           | 1501 Laura Place      |
| 18) Johnny D. Moss     | 15015 Westgate Ave    |
| 19) Felix Koroski      | 1502 S. Westgate Ave. |
| 20) Charles Tyson Sr.  | 1508 S. Westgate Ave  |
| 21) Joyce Niell        | 1517 S. Westgate Ave  |
| 22) Adel Schmitt       | 1520 S. Westgate Ave  |
| 23) Richard de Puysson | 1600 S. Westgate Ave  |
| Vacant                 | 1514 S. Westgate Ave  |
| 24) Ruth Patterson     | 1602 Faye St.         |
| 25) Paula Salgado      | 1604 Faye St.         |
| 26) Luis Powell        | 1607 Faye St.         |
| 27) Crystal Davis      | 1502 Alice Ave.       |
| 28) Jim Jellie         | 1506 Alice Ave        |
| Vacant                 | 1512 Alice Ave        |
| Vacant                 | 1503 Alice Ave        |
| 29) Bessie Young       | 1428 Faye Ave         |
| 30) Geneva Robinson    | 1421 Faye Ave         |
| 31) Michelle Syrdal    | 1419 Faye Ave         |

NAME:

32) Helen L Snyder

Vacant

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33) Ken Dyer

34) Fay Dyer

35) 1408 Seaside Ave.

36) Darlene Smith

Vacant

37) Robertsons

38) Barbara Myers

39) W L Wilson

40) Anne Jane

41) Henry Wray

42) ~~W S Dyer~~

43) Maice Fitzgerald

44) Helen Brown

45) Niara Whitehead

46) <sup>Ruth</sup> Vera Stead

47) Paula Browser

48) Dabna Taylor

ADDRESS:

1420 Faye

1414 Faye

1422 Faye

1424 Faye

1427 Faye

1403 FAYE AVE.

Ken Dyer

1405 Faye ave

1400 Faye Ave.

1404 Faye Ave

1408 Faye Ave

1413 Faye Ave

1501 Faye Ave

1428 Dyer Ave

1419 EVA Ave

1408 Eva Ave.

1426 Faye St.

1501 EVA Ave.

1506 EVA Ave.

1503 Eva Ave.

1507 EVA AVE

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- 49) Verna Shearin
- 50) Alton E Mercer Jr.
- 51) Steven D. Hayer
- 52) Rnd Cress
- 53) Beth Decker
- 54) Robert H Cherry
- 55) Helen Cherry

- 1423 Southern Ave - Lakeland, FL
- 1421 southern ave Lakeland FL
- 1417 Southern Ave. Lakeland Fla.
- 1414 Southern Ave
- 1405 Southern Ave
- 1401 Southern Ave



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**APPLICATION FOR ORIGINAL  
CERTIFICATE FOR A UTILITY IN  
EXISTENCE AND CHANGING  
RATES**

Notice is hereby given on May 12, 2004, pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, of the application of the Lazy S Utility to operate a water utility to provide service to the following described territory in Polk County, Florida, as follows:

**DESCRIPTION OF THE LAZY S  
WATER UTILITY SERVICE AREA**

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 26, Township 28 South, Range 23 East, thence South a distance of 25' to the South right-of-way line of Ariana Street also being THE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence due east along the South right-of-way line of Ariana Street to the Northeast corner of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of said section, thence Southerly a distance of 1225', thence Easterly a distance of 670' to the East line of the Northwest 1/4 of said section, thence southerly along the East line of the Northwest 1/4 of said section a distance of 1430' to the Centerline of said section; thence West along the Centerline of said section to the West line of the Northwest 1/4 of section 26, Township 28 South, Range 23 East, thence North along the West line of said section to the South right-of-way line of Ariana Street also being the POINT OF BEGINNING. Being 142 acres more or less.

Any objection to said application must be made in writing and filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850, within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice. At the same time, a copy of said objection should be mailed to the applicant whose address is set forth below. The objection must state the grounds for the objection with particularity.

The Colinas Group, Inc. Receives  
For the Lazy S Utility  
2031 E. Edgewood Drive-Suite 5  
Lakeland, Florida 33802-3601