

320 Spaniards Road
Placida, FL 33946

February 10, 2021

Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shuman Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Clerk,
RE: Docket: 20200226-SU,

I am a property owner in Cape Haze, FL and am writing to protest the application by Environmental Utilities (EU) to install sewers in Cape Haze and the barrier islands. I strongly feel that we don't need sewers as we are a community with low population density and there is no evidence that our septic tanks pollute. Further, we need a company with a strong financial position and the necessary experience to do the job, not a startup Mom and Pop operation that is unable to tell us how much we will pay nor provide any provision for payment over time for those who would be financially burdened by having to pay all at once.

At our last homeowners meeting, EU's office was described as a cell phone number, a P.O. Box number and an expensive lawyer. I find it unconscionable that, at a time when the US government is issuing us checks and suspending evictions to keep us from losing our homes, we are being asked to contribute toward legal expenses to defend ourselves against this threat. A rough estimate was given that, once the sewer system was complete, we would be forced to join or a lien for about \$19,000 would be placed on our house to pay for the system. This may cause some of our 293 homeowners to lose their homes. In addition, there is no assurance that the disruption to our yards would be fixed, as EU may not have the resources to do this.

I urge you, in the strongest possible terms, please reject this threat to our well-being.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,



Thomas E. Rudolph,

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