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**From:** Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 18, 2024 3:43 PM  
**To:** 'Kirsten Karnett Hosman'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Docket #20240032-SU

Good Afternoon, Kirsten and Stephen Hosman.

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.

Thank you!

*Toni Hover*  
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April 9, 2024

Public Service Commission

RE: Docket #20240032-SU  
Environmental Utilities, LLC  
Central Sewer Installation Application for Palm Island (a.k.a. Knight Island)

Members of the Public Service Commission,

This communication is to inform you that we **HIGHLY** object to the Environment Utilities, LLC application to install central sewer on Palm Island, also known as Knight Island. This application and service is not needed or wanted by the great majority of residents on Palm Island and Don Pedro Island. As property owners of multiple properties on Palm Island, we feel this is an arbitrary and capricious request that will NOT benefit home and lot owners.

There is absolutely no need for a central sewer system. This sewer system does nothing except add additional costs for property owners, and does not alleviate the need for septic systems. The only entity a central sewer system will enrich is the Palm Island Resort. Many property owners can not afford a \$12,000 hook up cost or the \$1,100 cost for a sewer lateral installation fee. In addition, residents will be burdened with higher costs for monthly billing associated with the central sewer, and will still need to pay a separate monthly water bill.

In addition, there is NO indication or documentation that determines a central sewer service is necessary on Palm Island. Again, the only entity that such service benefits is Palm Island Resort. Also, a central sewer service only serves to advance future substantial high density development. Please understand island residents do not want additional traffic or the congestion that this project would cause both in constructing the system and from future short-term visitors.

Granting a property easement to Environment Utilities LLC without an owner receiving compensation is anathema. This is not a contract with Environment Utilities LLC that we want to enter into for any of the properties we own. In addition, we question the stability of Environmental Utilities as the principals have never owned or managed such a company.

Finally, there has been no indication as to where the central sewer lines will actually be installed. It is quite evident however, that wherever the lines would be placed will damage landscaping, impact the habitat of native animals, and potentially destroy homeowners' landscaping.

Please do not let this project go forward. It will ruin Palm Island and Don Pedro Island.

Sincerely,

Kirsten and Stephen Hosman  
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Properties owned that would be negatively impacted by sewer system installation:

Titled as Pelican Palms LLC (Stephen L. Hosman, President)

270 N. Gulf Blvd.

330 N. Gulf Blvd.

340 N. Gulf Blvd.

360 N. Gulf Blvd.

1/2 owner interest in 420 N. Gulf Blvd.

Titled as Panama 341 LLC (Stephen L. Hosman, President)

310 N. Gulf Blvd.

Titled as Stephen L. Hosman

341 N. Gulf Blvd.

351 N. Gulf Blvd.

441 N. Gulf Blvd.

451 N. Gulf Blvd.

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