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Sent: Friday, April 26, 2024 3:46 PM
To: 'Dona Cabela'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Docket #20240032-SU

Good Afternoon, Dona Cabela.

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!

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Hello Commissioners:

I am sending this letter regarding Environmental Utilities and the installation of a central sewer on the Islands.

I want to start with a firm request to "deny" E.U's application for wastewater service to our barrier islands. Not only do we (the majority) not want this, we do not need it.

I do not have anything negative to say about the family that owns E.U, my reservation is for the following reasons.

1st: We will still have a sewer system and a pump. Currently, if we lose power we are still able to flush our toilets as long as we have water. With this new system unless you have a generator you will be unable to flush your toilet. That will be a nightmare.

2nd: This is a for-profit company without any experience owning or running a wastewater utility company.

3rd: The expense is going to be placed on the homeowner. For us this is going to run us more than the average; we face the loss of a previously installed underground propane tank (1,000 gallons). We were informed a couple of years ago this line would run directly in front of our house. This is exactly where our propane tank is buried. Along with our house generator which is located on the north side of our house; we will stand to lose. This cost us over \$55,000 for that project; which we only had installed 4 years ago. During permitting we were told this was the only place we could bury the propane tank. If this goes through we will lose our house generator, and have the added expense to have this all removed. Not to mention we had our entire house transferred to gas. This is a huge hardship. This can all be avoided. Please deny E.U the permit to install this central sewer system.

4th: I believe the environmental impact of so many unforeseen issues that will arise from this could be devastating. If something should go sideways; the commissioners that voted for this will be held responsible. (not legally, but in the eyes of your constituents).

5th: I am sure you are all aware of the delicate dance we have of getting off and on this island we already face; with all this heavy equipment and the length of time this will take will have a far more negative impact. Homeowners; rental companies, workers that already come here etc.

I thank you for taking the time to read this letter and realize that we not only don't want this system but we don't need it. This is only a person/company out to make money and cause undue stress and hardship to so many people. He has already been denied before. Please do the right thing and continue to not support this.

Have a good day

Respectfully
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