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**From:** Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk  
**Sent:** Friday, January 24, 2025 8:22 AM  
**To:** 'rebecca newman'  
**Cc:** Consumer Contact  
**Subject:** RE: Docket#20240032-SU

Good Morning, Rebecca Newman.

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, my name is Rebecca Newman and the address I am writing of concern is 23 Palm Dr, Placida, Florida 33946. My home is located on Palm Island, also known as Don Pedro Island. My email address is mswconch@gmail.com.

I was notified a private, for-profit, utility company was requesting to install a central sewer service system on Don Pedro Island where my home listed above is located.

As a home owner I do not understand how this could happen without due diligence.

1. To my knowledge there are no recent studies or testing completed on our island indicating a need for this central water sewer system.

2. And of more concern there has not been a bidding process to allow other businesses to submit their proposals to install. This is a very large and expensive project, how can one, for profit company, be provided the ok to proceed. And why is this a for-profit business. Shouldn't the local government be providing this service, if needed, to the local residents. Isn't water services considered a right of every person with restrictions of profit being considered?

This company EU lacks the experience of owning and installing a wastewater utility company. My understanding is EU wants to install a low-pressure system which Charlotte County won't install anymore due to needed excessive maintenance, which leads to excessive cost.

Our island has protected animals and very delicate eco-systems. Shouldn't more research and information be provided before any company is allowed to proceed?

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter,

Rebecca Newman