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From: Hiep Nguyen on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2025 4:55 PM
To: 'Dania Blandon'
Subject: RE: RE. Docket #20240032-SU

Good afternoon Carlos Hernandez,

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20240032-SU, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

Thank you,

Hiep Nguyen

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Dear Clerk of the Commission,

I hope this message finds you well. I am a property owner on Palm Island (Don Pedro Island). I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Private Sewer Project being proposed by Environmental Utilities (EU), a private for-profit organization. Docket #20240032-SU

Firstly, there is a strong consensus among property owners that this project is unnecessary and unwanted. More critically, the due diligence process has not been properly conducted. There has been no adequate environmental study to assess the potential impacts, no study to determine whether the current wastewater infrastructure is inadequate (it is not), nor has there been a competitive vendor bidding process to ensure transparency and fairness. Furthermore, wastewater treatment is a crucial public service that should be managed by the government, not imposed upon by a private, for-profit entity with little to no experience. It is concerning to see an essential service being pushed onto property owners by a company whose primary motive is profit.

The financial burden that this proposed project would impose on the property owners, at installation and thereafter, is excessive and unjustifiable, especially considering that it is not needed. I respectfully request clarification on what happens when homeowners are unable to pay these extorted costs and fees? Will Charlotte County and the EU start taking legal action against us? Is there a possibility that the County might apply liens on our properties? And in the worst-case scenario, could homeowners be forced to sell their properties, possibly

at a loss, to cover these expenses?

I urge you to consider the voices and concerns of the property owners and to reevaluate the necessity and implications of this project.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kind regards,

Carlos Hernandez