## **Antonia Hover**

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Good Morning, Richard Planer.

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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## **Dear Commissioners**

This letter expresses my strong opposition to the proposed installation of private sewers. While the company may present this project as environmentally beneficial, I believe their primary motivation is profit-driven, prioritizing revenue generation over genuine environmental concerns.

Here are my key concerns:

- **Profit-Driven Motive:** The company's primary focus appears to be on securing long-term revenue streams. Private sewer systems often involve long-term service contracts with homeowners, ensuring a steady income for the company regardless of actual environmental impact.
- Potential for Environmental Harm:
  - **Inadequate Maintenance:** Private sewer systems may not be subject to the same level of stringent maintenance and oversight as publicly owned and operated systems. This increases the risk of leaks, overflows, and potential contamination of groundwater and waterways.
  - **Focus on Short-Term Gains:** The company may prioritize quick installation and profit over long-term environmental sustainability, potentially leading to the use of cheaper, less environmentally friendly materials and construction methods.
  - **Limited Public Accountability:** Private companies are less accountable to the public than government entities. This reduces transparency and makes it more difficult to ensure environmental compliance and address potential issues.
- **Increased Costs for Homeowners:** Private sewer systems often result in significant upfront costs for homeowners, along with ongoing monthly service fees. This can create a financial burden for residents, especially those with limited incomes.

I urge the Commissioners to carefully consider these concerns and thoroughly evaluate the environmental and financial implications of this proposal.

Sincerely,

**Richard Planer** 

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