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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Antonia Hover on behalf of Records Clerk Wednesday, January 29, 2025 8:17 AM 'Paul Sarofim' Consumer Contact RE: RE. Docket #20240032-SU

Good Morning, Paul Sarofirm.

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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Subject RE. Objection to Environmental Utilities, LLC Docket # 20240032-SU

To PSC:

My name is Paul Sarofim and I own 9254 Little Gasparilla Island, which is within the proposed sewer service area for Little Gasparilla Island. I am formally requesting that you please reconsider Charlotte County's support of EU's PSC sewer application.

The proposed connection charges for the sewer system is estimated "starting" at \$30,000, which is the cost for implementation per household is an estimate on the mainland; which means that cost will double since we are on a barrier island.

The proposed monthly sewer charges are VERY high compared to other utility rates. For the residents of Little Gasparilla Island, we already pay high monthly rates for the water system. I currently pay around \$100 per month for water with little water usage. Adding the proposed monthly sewer charges would bring the monthly water and sewer charges to over \$250 a month which is a ridiculous monthly charge for water and sewer compared to other local utilities, especially with a 10-20% usage at our vacation property.

With the 300 +/- homes on LGI, most being vacation rentals, I would assume that usage would be <50% of normal usage, thus the lack of need for a central sewer system, especially one being implemented by EU.

Please understand that everyone I know on LGI is extremely opposed to EU bringing sewer to our island. To say that the island does not oppose the EU application is a gross misstatement. I know the amount of people that are there in person to oppose this is only a fraction, as I know 5 households that cannot make the hearing in opposition, and are having to send emails stating their opposition.

Sincerely,

Paul Sarofim

Property Owner: 9254 Little Gasparilla Island

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