



# Florida Public Service Commission RATE CASE OVERVIEW

JANUARY 2025

Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County by

## **Environmental Utilities, LLC.**

DOCKET NO. 20240032-SU

On February 12, 2024, Environmental Utilities, LLC (EU or Utility) filed an application with the Florida Public Service Commission (Commission or PSC) for a certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County. The proposed service area includes the barrier islands of Little Gasparilla Island, Don Pedro Island, and Knight Island.

### QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

#### **1. Why is EU requesting a certificate to provide wastewater service?**

EU is requesting a certificate to provide wastewater service to customers of the barrier islands of Little Gasparilla Island, Don Pedro Island, and Knight Island, who are currently served by septic systems.

#### **2. Is there an opportunity for public input on this certificate request?**

Yes. As part of the evaluation process of EU's request, Commission staff will conduct in-person service hearings to allow feedback about EU's quality of service and the rate setting process. Comments will be reviewed before the Commission reaches a decision. Commissioners will attend and participate during the service hearings.

Customers may sign-up to speak at the service hearings upon arrival at the venue. Please note that the order in which customers will speak is based on the order in which they sign-up. If you have questions about the sign-up process, please call (850) 413-7080.

All persons who wish to comment in-person, are urged to appear promptly at the scheduled times because the service hearings may be adjourned early if no customers are present to testify or when those present have testified.

#### **3. Can I obtain more information online?**

Detailed docket information is available on the PSC website at [www.FloridaPSC.com](http://www.FloridaPSC.com). Click on Clerk's Office then Dockets. Type in the docket number 20240032.

### **In-person Service Hearings**

**Tuesday, January 28, 2025**

**6:00 p.m.**

**and**

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025**

**9:30 a.m.**

Tringali Park Recreation Center  
3460 North Access Road  
Englewood, FL 34224

#### **4. What if I cannot attend the in-person service hearings or prefer not to speak? Are there other ways to comment on this case?**

Any interested person who wants to comment or provide information to the Commission regarding this matter may do so orally at the in-person service hearings or in writing.\* Written comments should be mailed to:

Florida Public Service Commission  
Office of Commission Clerk  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

The PSC will also accept emailed comments at: [clerk@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:clerk@psc.state.fl.us).

Please be sure to include the docket number, **20240032 – SU**.

*\* Any email or other correspondence sent to a Florida Public Service Commissioner, or any other public official and/or employee of the PSC, in the transaction of public business is considered a public record and is subject to Florida's Public Records Law. This means that Florida law generally requires the PSC to provide a copy of any such email or correspondence, upon request, for inspection and copying to any Florida citizen or to any member of the media.*

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Comments are placed on the correspondence side of the docket file. In accordance with Florida Statutes, the PSC will also consider EU's quality of service and other matters. If you have questions, contact the PSC's Office of Consumer Assistance & Outreach at (800) 342-3552.

### 5. How much would the monthly bill be for a residential customer of EU using 6,000 gallons?

The monthly bill for a residential customer of EU using 6,000 gallons would be \$221.21.

### 6. Who provides legal representation for customers in utility related matters before the Public Service Commission?

The Office of Public Counsel (OPC) was established by the Florida Legislature to advocate on behalf of you and the other utility customers before the Commission and other state and federal regulatory authorities. OPC is independent from the Commission, and accountable only to the people of the State of Florida through the Florida Legislature. You can reach OPC at (800) 342-0222 or [www.floridaopc.gov](http://www.floridaopc.gov).

### 7. Who can answer technical or legal questions?

***For technical questions, contact:***

Melinda Watts  
Quality of Service and Engineering  
(850) 413-6952

Matthew Sibley  
Rates and Charges  
(850) 413-6516

Zack Przygocki  
Accounting  
(850) 413-6439

***For legal questions, contact:***

Ryan Sandy  
(850) 413-6856

### 8. When will the PSC make a decision?

After the technical hearing is completed, the PSC staff will file a recommendation with the Commission that addresses EU's request for an original certificate. The Commissioners will then vote on this matter at a future Commission Conference

### 9. How can I follow the service hearings and Commission Conferences?

You can watch the service hearings and Commission Conferences live from the PSC website at [www.FloridaPSC.com](http://www.FloridaPSC.com). Look for the "Watch Live and Archived PSC Events" icon on the left side of the webpage. An audio only option is available by dialing (850) 413-7999. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the PSC by using the Florida Relay Service at (800) 955-8771 (TDD).

If cancelled, notice of customer meeting cancellation will be provided on the Commission's website, ([www.FloridaPSC.com](http://www.FloridaPSC.com)), under Hot Topics found on the home page. Cancellation can also be confirmed by contacting the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6199.

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**Environmental Utilities, LLC. Monthly Wastewater Rates**

	Utility's Requested Rate
<b><u>Residential Service</u></b>	
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes	\$109.29
Charge Per 1,000 gallons- Residential Service 10,000 gallons cap	\$18.82
<b><u>General Service</u></b>	
5/8" x 3/4"	\$109.29
3/4"	\$163.93
1"	\$273.22
1-1/2"	\$546.44
2"	\$874.30
3"	\$1,912.53
Charge per 1,000 gallons - General Service	\$22.59
<b>Reclaimed Water Service</b>	
Base Facility Charge - All Meter Sizes	\$0.00
Charge per 1,000 gallons - Reclaimed Water Service	\$0.00
<b><u>Typical Residential 5/8" x 3/4" Meter Bill Comparison</u></b>	
2,000 Gallons	\$146.93
6,000 Gallons	\$222.21
10,000 Gallons	\$297.49

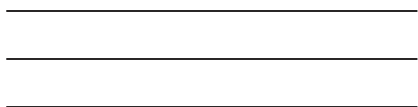
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