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**DATE:** August 31, 2015  
**TO:** Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk, Office of Commission Clerk  
**FROM:** Clayton Lewis, US Engineering Specialist, Division of Engineering  
**RE:** Docket No. 130209-SU-Application for expansion of certificate (CIAC) (new wastewater line extension charge) by North Peninsula Utilities Corp.

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CKLW

Please file the attached NPUC's response to Staff's request for clarifications concerning Staff's First Data Request in the above mentioned Docket File.

Thank you.

## Clayton Lewis

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**From:** Laura King  
**Sent:** Monday, August 31, 2015 10:30 AM  
**To:** Clayton Lewis  
**Subject:** FW: NPUC talking points (PV).docx  
**Attachments:** PSC ltr 8-27-15.dot

**From:** Hillman Wilson Development Offices [<mailto:developershw@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 27, 2015 9:43 AM  
**To:** Laura King  
**Cc:** Gerry Hartman; John Wharton  
**Subject:** Re: NPUC talking points (PV).docx

Please see attached.

On Mon, Aug 24, 2015 at 9:03 AM, Laura King <[LKing@psc.state.fl.us](mailto:LKing@psc.state.fl.us)> wrote:

Mr. Hillman:

Attached are the questions/topics staff would like to discuss with you during our call today.

Thanks,

Laura King

Division of Engineering

## Talking Points/Topics for NPUC Call

Referring to response to question 4(a): Each customer will use a low pressure grinder pump from their existing septic tank and provide a customer connection to the force main.

1. Will the customer need to seek any type of special permitting to connect their septic to a grinder pump?
2. Will a customer need special permitting to bore under John Anderson Drive to connect to NPUC's force main?
3. Will a customer need to obtain right-of-way permits for the collection line to force main connection?

Also referring to map provided on July 20, 2015, specifically the areas in orange (NPUC Proposed for service upon request)

4. Looking at John Anderson north of the area where you currently provide service and adjacent to Ormond Beach Plaza . . . how will a customer obtain service in that area - - and Kingston shores? (will NPUC be extending its force main north)
5. What if one customer wants service, do they pay for the collection line etc. that may pass everyone else . . . what happens when someone else wants to connect to the collection line? Does the original customer have to give approval?
6. Estimate of cost to the customer for getting off his septic system to connect to NPUC - - what's included in those costs (grinder pump, collection lines, electric work etc.)
7. Please explain what the "inspection cost" (noted in 4(b)) is meant to recover? Staff could not find this charge in the tariff. . .
8. Are future customers aware that in addition to paying NPUC an "inspection cost" they will also incur costs to construct the facilities need to connect to NPUC ?
9. Do you expect the customer to contribute the collection lines to the utility?
10. Who is responsible for maintaining the collection lines?
11. Do you have an idea what it costs to replace or repair a septic system in the area?

Referring to the map. specifically the areas in pink ("service available upon sufficient customer request")

12. Criteria for determining "sufficient customer request?"
13. So if one guy that lives on Capistrano wants service because his septic is failing what happens . . . does he need to go get his neighbors on board?
14. If granted the expansion, how will customers become aware of NPUC ability to provide service upon "sufficient customer request" as opposed to the traditional method of an individual calling the service provider and getting service . . . (are they going to start soliciting HOAs etc.)
15. Once there is "sufficient customer request" what happens?
16. How are customer connections to the force main going to occur?
  - o will each individual customer have to put in/pay for collection lines
  - o will the collection lines be contributed to the utility, if so will NPUC be responsible for maintaining the line

- HOA contracts? If so, what would be the term of service, 5, 10, 15 years?
- Permitting issues?

Referring to response to question 10, specifically as it relates to Capri Drive

17. Who owns the collection line on Capri? If not NPUC, will it be contributed to the utility?
18. Who will maintain that collection line?
19. What will it take to connect this dry line to NPUC's force main? Who pays for these facilities/interconnection?
20. Capri drive is in the orange area of the map, after one customer requests service, how long will it take to provide service (days, weeks, etc.) . . . specifically on Capri?

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August 27, 2015

Laura King  
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Division of Engineering

Dear Ms. King,

Please accept this response to your email with talking points/ topic's for NPUC sent on Monday, 8/24/15.

1. The same as Palm Coast, Deltona, Palm Bay, etc. many others through a master low pressure service FDEP permit. These are services, the existing force main is the collection system.
2. The same as crossing any other county road as is done frequently in our service area. Coordinated with County public works department.
3. Typically granted to the utility, but if they wish their own permit they can get one.
4. That is to be negotiated. Typical with all customer requests for service.
5. Separate service lines unless a joint service line is agreed upon before construction.
6. Approximately \$5,000 for those on John Anderson.
7. The actual cost for the inspection of the connection, simply a cost recovery with documentation and bill.
8. Yes

9. Service lines ---no  
Collection system ---yes
10. NPUC to the property line.
11. Typically varies from \$1,000 to \$25,000.
12. When enough customers want service and can pay for it. Could be just one, but probably more.
13. Only to the extent he does not want to pay for it.
14. It is basically the same for the vast majority of utilities. They get service. Transmission, treatment, and effluent disposal capacity is available. It is simply a matter of money to build the service (Always CIAC) or the collection system (may or not be CIAC).
15. The monies are used to pay for the facilities for service.
- 16 (a) service lines ---yes; collection system it depends on the situation and facilities required.  
(b) service lines -- no ; collection systems --- depends on situation, but in many cases yes.  
(c) those are like development agreements. The service is perpetual like every other utility.  
(d) we are very familiar with permitting and have always received the needed permits for the work needed for the utility. That is what we do.
17. We believe it was donated to the County. The County has asked NPUC to provide service to those facilities. All that is needed is a pump station and a connection to the existing force main.
18. In the Capri case probably NPUC will because the County will probably request that.
19. See #17 above. Either the County, or the customers we expect. The County collected the money and has it.

20. Depends on the customer. Service is available immediately for the transmission, treatment and effluent disposal. The time period is up to the customer. As soon as they can connect, the service is available.

Please call with any questions.

We look forward to getting your staff recommendation as soon as possible.

Sincerely

Robert L. Hillman  
NPUC