

Jacob Veaughn

From: Jacob Veaughn on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2021 3:56 PM
To: 'Dan Fuquay'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: Objection to EU, LLC's application for certificate for wastewater service in Charlotte Co. #20200226-SU

Good Morning, Daniel Fuquay

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20200262 and forwarding your comments to the Office of Consumer Assistance and Outreach.

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From: Dan Fuquay <danfuq@outlook.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2021 3:51 PM
To: Records Clerk <CLERK@PSC.STATE.FL.US>; mfriedman@deanmead.com; Leydon Jr Richard <richardleydonjr@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Objection to EU, LLC's application for certificate for wastewater service in Charlotte Co. #20200226-SU

Dear Jacob:

I am writing this email to inform you that I have reversed my decision to object to the certificate as described in docket number 20200226.

My objection was based on misinformation and a lack of information. After discussing the matter by phone with Mr. Jack Boyer of Environmental Utilities, LLC., I now believe that Mr. Boyer should be issued this certificate to proceed with wastewater collection in Charlotte County including Little Gasparilla Island.

I have reversed my decision because I now believe that EU, LLC., is a viable company with the ability to install the necessary infrastructure for this project. Mr. Boyer is trying to be transparent but is stymied by the strict regulations dictated by the state commission. He has over 30 years experience in water and sewer. He has additional financing available should he need it. He has done much engineering and cost accounting but cannot present it until the Commission says. He has done enough to know that he can complete this project cheaper than Charlotte County could. He also has more interest in Little Gasparilla Island than the county because he owns two homes on the island himself. It is my understanding that he spent \$4 million for the right to carry out this project. That is a serious commitment which no one would make unless they plan to complete the project and recoup their investment.

Mr. Boyer invites anyone with objections to the project to call him directly on his cell phone, whose number everyone on the island has. I called him and he gave me an hour of his time to explain the project in great detail.

Therefore, I am reversing my objection to this certificate as outlined in docket number 20200226. Please connect this email to my previous email so that objection is canceled.

Thank you very much.

Daniel Fuquay

On Jan 12, 2021, at 08:40, Records Clerk <CLERK@psc.state.fl.us> wrote:

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From: Dan Fuquay <danfuq@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, January 11, 2021 4:42 PM
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January 10, 2021 Docket number 20200226-SU

To the PSC:

As a homeowner on Little Gasparilla Island, 9776 Alborado Court, I write today in objection to the application for original certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County by Environmental Utilities, LLC.

We object to this being done by a for-profit utility. On top of the gargantuan cost of building a wastewater collection system on an island, we will have to pay his profit.

Little Gasparilla Island is a bridgeless barrier island. A quick look at Google maps will show you that the island is very narrow in places. There are no roads and no vehicular traffic. We don't see how anyone could get the heavy equipment to all parts of the island to install wastewater service. The only barge service charges \$1200 per trip. Imagine the cost of transporting the supplies necessary for a project of this size. As homeowners we know that every cent of this cost will come out of our pockets, in addition to the profit this company will charge on top of its costs.

We do not feel that this private company has the ability to accomplish this project. The Little Gasparilla Island water utility, owned by the persons who have established Environmental Utilities, has never been transparent about its operations. Mr. Jack Boyer and his family, involved in both businesses, are poorly suited to run a consumer oriented utility. They are extremely difficult to communicate with and do not return phone calls. Their approach to filing for this certificate has been to keep as quiet as possible. They did send a letter to homeowners, as proscribed by the commission rules, but it was not received in time for homeowners to mount a serious objection. The letter was dated December 17 but the hearing was January 5 and many homeowners have yet to receive the letter.

Our main objection at this point is the fact that we have no information whatsoever on what this project will cost or what the cost per month to homeowners will be. It appears that Mr. Boyer does not want to spend a cent on forecasting until he is sure that he will receive the certificate. We do not see good business practices displayed at any level of either of Mr. Boyer's companies. Therefore, we request that his application for certificate of authorization for wastewater service on Little Gasparilla Island be denied.

Thank you.

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