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From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
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To: Commissioner Correspondence
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Please place the e-mail below in Docket No. 20200226.

Thank you!

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From: Kathy Stokes <kitkatstokes@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 2, 2022 1:34 PM
To: Office of Commissioner Passidomo <Commissioner.Passidomo@psc.state.fl.us>
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Dear Commissioner,

We are homeowners on Little Gasparilla Island at 8892 Gulf St. We and every other homeowner I've spoken with are thrilled with your staff's recommendation to DENY the Application for a wastewater certificate by Environmental Utilities on our island. We very much appreciate you and your staff and the careful attention you gave to the islanders speaking at the hearing and to all the hundreds of letters written to you requesting you deny this application. Also we are so grateful to the expert witnesses and the OPC for their work.

As you make your decision, a few extra things you need to be aware of. I have read all 1340 + entries on the docket and want to comment on a couple things. There were some untruths by the EU owner saying his home is under water 60 % of the year That is simply not true! A huge exaggeration! What he doesn't tell you is that that home is very old, had been vacant for at least 10 years and deemed "UNINHABITABLE " by Charlotte County. He bought it, did some repairs, moved in, and lived there for about two years before UPDATING his own SEPTIC SYSTEM!

In addition, when called out about delinquent property taxes, he " skirted " around how he hadn't paid taxes due on All property he owned. He never addressed taxes owed on his water plant. They were not paid several years and certificates were bought. They were finally paid when he was applying for this certificate.

EU's plan was to have homeowners use Electricity to run his proposed system. Just a couple weekends ago, our island power was out three times on one weekend and FPL had to come out by boat, as always, to address the problems! Hurricane season would bring disaster! Then this past weekend, there was a water main break on Friday night. EU 's owner owns the island water company too, Little Gasparilla Island Water Utility. There was a precautionary boil water notice but this company did not let ALL homeowners know. They only posted on some Facebook page(not theirs) , "word of mouth " and he says TV! Nothing specific! Then ALL Homeowners were not notified of a lifting of the boil water notice.

In closing, we fervently ask you to accept your staff's wise and thoroughly documented recommendation to DENY the Certificate To Environmental Utilities.

Sincerely, Roy and Kathleen Stokes

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