

Yvette Gillespie

From: Yvette Gillespie on behalf of Records Clerk
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2024 4:21 PM
To: 'Dena Craig'
Cc: Consumer Contact
Subject: RE: OBJECTION TO DOCKET NO. 20240032-SU

Good afternoon Dena and Edward Craig,

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.

Sincerely,

Yvette Gillespie

Commission Deputy Clerk I
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Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 8:39 AM
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I am resending our letter to make sure everyone received it

On Sat, Apr 6, 2024 at 4:28 PM Dena Craig <apollodena@gmail.com> wrote:

April 5, 2024

Commission Clerk
Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
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CC> Our elected county commissioners: LaRosa, Clark, Passidoma. Graham, Fay

Docket No.20240032-SU

To whom it may concern,

Our names are Edward and Dena Craig. We own a home at 261 Bocilla dr located on Don Pedro Island. This is a barrier island located in Charlotte County.

We received notice on April 3rd 2024 from a company, Environmental Utilities LLC filing an application for a certificate to provide wastewater service to our island and other nearby areas.

We would like to officially file our OBJECTION to this application.

PLEASE DENY ENVIRONMENTAL UTILITIES APPLICATION FOR WASTE WATER SERVICE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

First, it just amazes us that a private for-profit company could just come in and file an application to force our community into something we have not asked for and have proven is not needed. Our community just went through a 2 year battle with this company and won. It cost a tremendous amount of money in legal fees. And now here we go again. Is there not anything to stop them from repeating this?

Again we repeat we OBJECT!!!

The final order released after our last battle by the PSC stated “noting the level of opposition to the Environmental Utilities’s proposal by its prospective customers, we find that customers are highly unlikely to voluntarily connect to the Environmental Utilities's system. Expert witnesses in the last administrative hearing refuted the arguments Environmental Utilities put forward supporting the need for service. Please go through and read all of the documents from the last time Environmental Utilities tried to take over our islands and force us into something we do not need or want. There is a reason it was not approved!!

No one has requested this service!!!!!! We do not want or need it!!!!

Our island is such a quaint little place. Our barrier islands are in the rural service area. The comp plan mandates on-site septic systems for the rural service area. Now they are insisting that the comp plan prohibits the county from installing a central sewer but not a privately owned utility. How is this right, fair or even legal?

There have been no environmental reasons or problems for us to be forced into this. We would face forced cost ,loss of property for easements, and traffic congestion.

Our area is just recovering from IAN. Many of us are still rebuilding. We do not need to face this expensive fight again!!!! Please consider our community's objection to this and don’t approve this application.

They are a private company just interested in profit, It is also our understanding that Environmental Utilities lacks experience of owning a wastewater utility. Is that not a huge red flag???

I thought this was a democratic country where we have the right to make our own decisions, There are no proven environmental reasons or dangers why we need sewers on our island . Just because a company

decides they want to take over and force us into this is just mind boggling. Especially the fact that we spent so much money last time to fight this and now we have to do this all over. Is there no end to this?

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Dena and Edward Craig

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