

**Charlie Smith**

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**From:** Betty Leland  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 29, 2025 7:44 AM  
**To:** Commissioner Correspondence  
**Subject:** Docket #20240032  
**Attachments:** Docket #20240032-SU; RE. Docket #20240032-SU

Good Morning:

Please place this email in Docket #20240032.

Thanks.

Betty A. Leland, Executive Assistant to  
Commissioner Art Graham  
Florida Public Service Commission  
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**From:** Jenna Volpe <jennalvolpe@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 28, 2025 8:02 PM  
**To:** Office of Commissioner Fay; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Chairman La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith  
**Subject:** Docket #20240032-SU

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Louise Volpe and I own two homes on Little Gasparilla Island. I have been going there since 1965 with my family. I oppose the Environmental Utilities, LLC request to provide a centralized sewer system for Little Gasparilla Island. We do not need a sewer system. The septic system has worked great and sustained our homes for years. Recovering from damage to our homes from the last two hurricanes has been difficult, financially and emotionally. I appreciate your consideration to deny Environmental Utilities, LLC request to provide a centralized sewer system.

Thank you in advance,

Louise Volpe  
9842 and 9848 Little Gasparilla Island

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**From:** Paul Sarofim <psarofim@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 29, 2025 1:48 AM  
**To:** Records Clerk  
**Cc:** Office of Chairman La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo Smith; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Fay  
**Subject:** RE. Docket #20240032-SU

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### **Subject RE. Objection to Environmental Utilities, LLC Docket # 20240032-SU**

To PSC:

My name is Paul Sarofim and I own 9254 Little Gasparilla Island, which is within the proposed sewer service area for Little Gasparilla Island. **I am formally requesting that you please reconsider Charlotte County's support of EU's PSC sewer application.**

The proposed connection charges for the sewer system is estimated "starting" at \$30,000, which is the cost for implementation per household is an estimate on the mainland; which means that cost will double since we are on a barrier island.

The proposed monthly sewer charges are VERY high compared to other utility rates. For the residents of Little Gasparilla Island, we already pay high monthly rates for the water system. I currently pay around \$100 per month for water with little water usage. Adding the proposed monthly sewer charges would bring the monthly water and sewer charges to over \$250 a month which is a ridiculous monthly charge for water and sewer compared to other local utilities, especially with a 10-20% usage at our vacation property.

With the 300 +/- homes on LGI, most being vacation rentals, I would assume that usage would be <50% of normal usage, thus the lack of need for a central sewer system, especially one being implemented by EU.

Please understand that everyone I know on LGI is extremely opposed to EU bringing sewer to our island. To say that the island does not oppose the EU application is a gross misstatement. I know the amount of people that are there in person to oppose this is only a fraction, as I know 5 households that cannot make the hearing in opposition, and are having to send emails stating their opposition.

Sincerely,

Paul Sarofim

Property Owner: 9254 Little Gasparilla Island

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