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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Application for certificate to provide wastewater service in Charlotte County, by Environmental Utilities, LLC. DOCKET NO. 20200226-SU

DATED: January 12, 2022

## COMMISSION STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-2021-0323-PCO-SU, filed August 25, 2021, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

1. <u>All Known Witnesses</u>

There are no known witnesses at this time.

2. <u>All Known Exhibits</u>

There are no known exhibits at this time.

3. <u>Staff's Statement of Basic Position</u>

Staff's positions are preliminary and based on materials filed by the parties and on discovery. The preliminary positions are offered to assist the parties in preparing for the hearing. Staff's final positions will be based upon all the evidence in the record and may differ from the preliminary positions stated herein.

- 4. <u>Staff's Position on the Issues</u>
- **ISSUE 1:** Has Environmental Utilities met the filing and noticing requirements pursuant to Rules 25-30.030 and 25-30.033, Florida Administrative Code?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 2:** Is there a need for service in Environmental Utilities' proposed service territory and, if so, when will service be required?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 3:** Is Environmental Utilities' application consistent with Charlotte County's Sewer Master Plan?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 4:** Will the certification of Environmental Utilities result in the creation of a utility which will be in competition with, or duplication of, any other system?

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- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 5:** Does Environmental Utilities have the financial ability to serve the requested territory?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 6:** Does Environmental Utilities have the technical ability to serve the requested territory?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 7:** Will Environmental Utilities have sufficient plant capacity to serve the requested territory?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 8:** Has Environmental Utilities provided evidence that it has continued use of the land upon which the utility treatment facilities are or will be located?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 9:** Is it in the public interest for Environmental Utilities to be granted a wastewater certificate for the territory proposed in its application?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 10:** What are the appropriate rate structures and rates for the wastewater system for Environmental Utilities?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 11:** What are the appropriate service availability charges?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 12:** What are the appropriate miscellaneous service charges for Environmental Utilities?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 13:** What are the appropriate initial customer deposits for Environmental Utilities?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.
- **ISSUE 14:** Should this docket be closed?
- **POSITION:** Staff has no position at this time.

5. Stipulated Issues

Staff has no stipulated issues at this time.

6. <u>Pending Motions</u>

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

7. <u>Pending Confidentiality Claims or Requests</u>

Staff has no pending confidentiality claims or requests at this time.

8. <u>Objections to Witness Qualifications as an Expert</u>

Commission staff has no objections to witness qualifications as an expert at this time.

9. <u>Compliance with Order No. PSC-2021-0323-PCO-SU</u>

Staff has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure entered in this docket.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of January, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT has been filed with

the Office of Commission Clerk and that a true copy has been furnished to the following by

electronic mail this 12th day of January, 2022:

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