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Missouri Public Service Commission

The Honorable Colleen M. Dale Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO. 65102-0360

Re: Case Nos. WA-2006-0480 and SA-2006-0482

The Honorable Judge Dale:

Please find enclosed for filing, several "Applications to Request to Intervene." Five additional copies are also enclosed for the appropriate Commission personnel; if you would be so kind as to bring this filing to their attention.

Please contact me, if you should have any questions regarding this filing.

Thank you,

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Application to intervene in case No. WA-2006-0480.

Dear Judge Colleen M. Dale:

Please accept this letter as an application to intervene in the above named case. I wish to oppose the application for a certificate of convenience and necessity filed by the Big Island Water and Sewer Company (BIWS), currently pending in case WA-2006-0480.

I am a multiple land owner on Big Island. I have owned a home there since 1980, and have  $2 \& \frac{1}{2}$  lots on the other side of the island purchased many years ago. Therefore, I have a high stake and understanding in this matter of who should run and control the regulated water and sewer facilities on Big Island.

I understand there was to be a hearing in Jefferson City starting on July 17<sup>th</sup>, and the hearing has been put on hold. It is unfortunate this hearing is on hold, because at the hearing it would have been proven that Folsom Ridge, or any other company they form to run the water and sewer facilities, is not fit to be the managing company for the following reasons –

- 1. Over the past seven years, Folsom Ridge has put in the initial water and sewer lines totally against code, delayed in putting the replacement water lines, made numerous misleading statements, and has had many DNR violations.
- 2. They had for many years compromised the health and safety of the Big Island home owners public drinking water supply.
- 3. They have lowered the water and sewer charges just recently. If anything they should be raising rates to build a reserve for future needs, and there will be future needs! That reserve should be built to at least \$10,000.00. I will venture that the system can not be maintained at the rates being charged. This is very poor business management.
- 4. They have made such an uncomfortable atmosphere on Big Island that that has put neighbor against neighbor. There have been many unpleasant verbal assaults directly attributed to Folsom Ridge's management or non management of the water and sewer systems.

In their application there are many gray areas.

- 1. What does credit for payment of the connection fees mean? On the lots I purchased, I have title documents that state the amounts paid is for the hook ups period. Besides the lines are in and stubbed up on the property. There is nothing more be done at their expense. For other people, it would only be the right and ethical for Folsom Ridge, or the company they form, to stand by the original fees and agreements.
- 2. Is Folsom Ridge transferring asset to the new company to avoid future liabilities, and who owns the water and sewer systems now?
- 3. In general there are many confusing statements.

Folsom Ridge has caused the property values to either drop or at best not maintained the advances of other areas. They blame the nine complainants that have formerly complained to the commission for this situation. I take just the opposite stand. Folsom Ridge put in the water and sewer system against code, Folsom Ridge delayed in putting in the replacement lines, Folsom Ridge is charging people that are not on one or the other systems, and Folsom Ridge had numerous opportunities to strike a compromise many years ago.

Therefore I intervene for the above reasons, and know that there are 20 plus home owners that would like anyone but Folsom Ridge, or any company they form, to run the water and sewer system.

There is a simple solution to this matter. Vote to regulate and mandate it to be regulated by any certified company other than Folsom Ridge or a company they control. This probably will not make everyone happy, but it is a reasonable answer, and it would start to heal the deep wounds that now exist between neighbors.

Feel free to contact me at any time. My cell phone is 602-315-9419.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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