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This reply acknowledges receipt of your E-mail to myself and the other individuals copied. Your E-mail is being forwarded to Lew Bridges, attorney for the Plaintiffs.

Thank you,

Cathy

---- Original Message -----

From: Pam Holstead

To: Ben Pugh; Cathy Orler; Cindy Fortney; Stan Temars

Cc: Mark Comley

Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2007 10:19 AM

Subject: Settlement Anyone?

Dear Ben, Cathy, Cindy & Stan:

Last Wednesday in Jefferson City the judge asked us to come to the table and see if we couldn't resolve some issues on our own. The only thing we resolved was venting a lot of pent up emotions. That was probably a good thing. Now that the emotional balloons have been deflated, I was wondering if we couldn't come back to the judge's request and really try to resolve some of the issues on our own.

I believe the residents of Big Island are best equipped to decide what is in our own best interests. The closer we get to the hearing date of February 28, the less motivation there is for a settlement. I guess I'm asking you to view me as the "settlement broker". The 393 group would like for your group to support the proposed transfer of water and sewer assets to the nonprofit companies. The question I am asking is this: What would it take for your group of supporters to agree to this transfer? Can you give me a grocery list of your demands? If you don't all agree on the demands then how about each one of you submits your own separate list of demands. We need to begin somewhere.

On Monday of this week, I was presented with some paperwork which demanded tap fees be returned to you and others. That is a good starting point. I would like clarification whether or not you would be willing to give up your right to tap onto the system - if your tap fee is refunded. Perhaps you could clarify this demand and add to it any other demands you might have. I will convey your demands to Folsom's attorney (or you can copy him yourself).

Time is of the essence here. If you are willing to work this out via stipulation instead of trial, we need to get at it very quickly. Not only is the hearing coming up soon, but I will be out of the country Feb. 3-11 and not available to assist in the settlement process. Please let me hear from you whether it be individually or as a group. Let's work together at getting this ball rolling. Thanks for your cooperation. Pam Holstead

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