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April 25, 2012

Dear Property Owner:

Charlotte County Utilities (CCU) presented to the Board of County Commissioners on April 24, 2012, a resolution determining the specific properties within the area of East and West Spring Lake that would benefit from the expansion of wastewater facilities through a Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU), as well as the terms, conditions and method of assessment for said area. On May 24, 2012, a workshop will be held with the Commission for this proposed program. The workshop will be held in the Commission Chambers located at 18500 Murdock Circle, Port Charlotte, FL. The purpose of the MSBU is to provide centralized wastewater services to those properties within the boundaries of the MSBU. According to county records, all property owners receiving this notification own property(s) that is within the boundaries of the MSBU (see enclosed map of MSBU).

An informational open house was previously scheduled for April 26, 2012, at the Port Charlotte Beach Complex. An additional informational open house will be held at the same location on May 16, 2012, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Two additional sessions will be held on May 21 and 23, 2012, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Charlotte County East Port Environmental Center, 25550 Harbor View Road, Port Charlotte, FL to describe to the benefitting property owners the specific details of this centralized wastewater expansion program and to answer questions the property owners may have. We encourage you to attend this meeting.

The total estimated cost of this program is \$ 17,757,947 for the wastewater facilities and an additional \$4,441,403 for connection fees (developed properties) thereby totaling \$22,199,350 for a total of 2,455.5 benefitting properties.

The estimated cost for each vacant property is \$ 6,151.70 (construction costs only) and \$9,998.69 for each developed property (construction costs including on-site infrastructure and connection fees to the system) once the project is approved. If approved, the estimated total cost would be paid out over a twenty year period providing for an annual non-ad valorem assessment of \$ 307.59 for each vacant property and \$ 499.94 for each developed property with the first installment beginning November, 2012. The construction of this wastewater expansion program would begin in the late fall of 2013, and be completed by the spring of 2015.

Enclosed is a ballot form along with a self-addressed stamped envelope for you to complete to vote either yes or no for the program. Please mark the ballot and return it in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope by May 21, 2012.

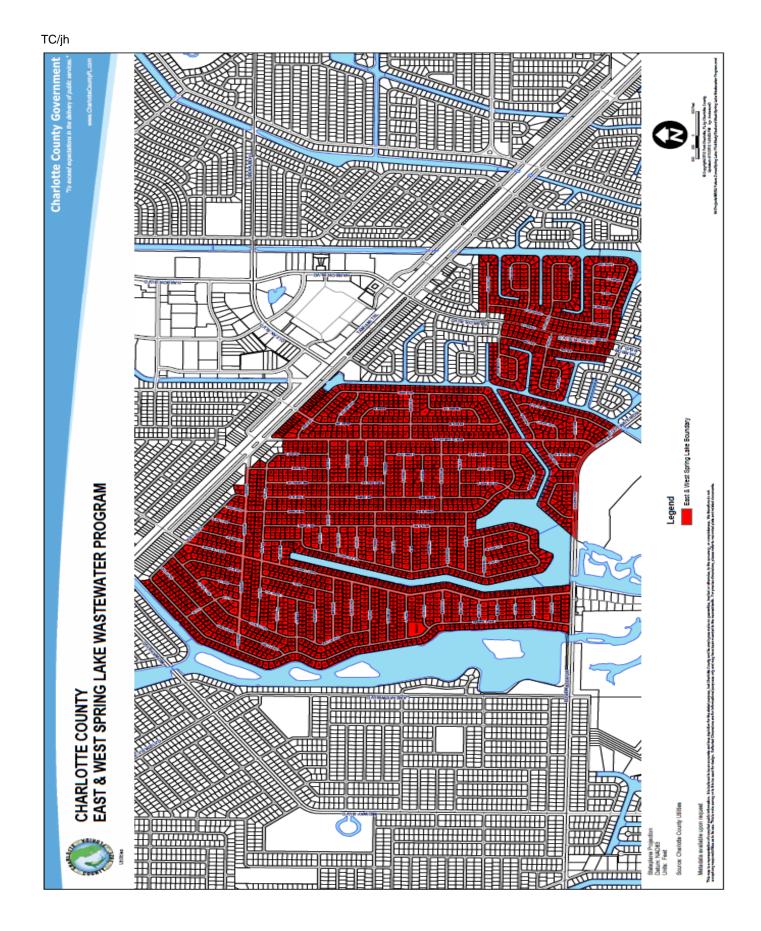
Sincerely,

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Terri Couture, Utilities Director Encs: Map of MSBU, Ballot and Map of MSBU CC: CC Health Department File TC/jh

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Ballot East and West Spring Lake Wastewater Expansion Program

Printed Name of Land Owner:_____

Street Address and/or Name:_____

Yes, I am in favor of a \$307.59 assessment for vacant properties or \$499.94 assessment for developed properties annually for approximately twenty years for the construction and connection to this wastewater expansion program.



No, I am not in favor of a \$307.59 assessment for vacant properties or \$499.94 assessment for developed properties annually for approximately twenty years for the construction and connection to this wastewater expansion program.