

August 6, 1999

Mr. Daniel Manry Administrative Law Judge Division of Administrative Hearings The DeSoto Building 1230 Apalachee Parkway Tallahassee, FL 32399-3060

Dear Judge Manry:

This is in regard to Case No. 99-2581, Clarence Rowe, Petitioner.

First, I have two questions regarding the hearing:

1. Is the hearing open to the public?

2. Can a person from the general public introduce testimony before the judge? If yes, how do they go about arranging this?

Second, I request a VHS tape playback system be available in the hearing room. I will be presenting video-taped evidence.

Third, I request that Mr. Richard L. Wolfinger, Vice President, Oleander Power Project be subpoenaed as a witness. I plan on questioning Mr. Wolfinger in support of my case.

Yours truly,

Clarence Rowe

Copy to:

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DEP FILE NO. 0090180-001-AC (PSD ~ FL - 258)

In re: The Matter of
OLEANDER POWER PROJECT L.P.
OLEANDER POWER PROJECT - Unit Nos. 1-5
BREVARD COUNTY

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

The Petitioners, by and though the undersigned attorney, file this Petition for an Administrative Hearing with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection on this the 12th day of April, 1999, showing as follows:

- This Petition is filed in response to the Department's Public Notice of Intent to Issue Air Construction Permit, dated on or about March 29, 1999;
- 2. The name and address of each Petitioner is as follows:
- a. Brevard Citizens Against Pollution, Inc., (BCAP) a Florida not-for-profit corporation, 824 Herron Road, Cocoa, FL; (no telephone number);
- b. Craig Bock, 865 Clifton Cove's Court, Cocoa, FL 32926; (407) 632-4344;
- c. Robert J. Knodel, 824 Herron Road, Cocoa, FL 32926; (407) 631-0728;
- d. Douglas H. Sphar, 819 Herron Road, Cocoa, FL; (407) 636-0701;
- e. Robert and Marlene Waters, 5060 Palm Avenue, Cocoa, FL; (407) 639-4357;
- 3. The name and address of the Applicant is as follows:

Oleander Power Project, L. P. Richard L. Wolfinger, Vice-President 250 West Pratt Street, 23rd Floor Baltimore, MD 21201

- 4. The proposed project will be in Brevard County, Florida, and has been assigned DEP Permit Number 0090180-001-AC (PSD-FL-258);
- 5. The manner in which the Petitioners received notice of the Department's proposed action is as follows:
 - a. Petitioners BCAP, Bock, Knodel, and Waters via electronic mail, Halpin to R. Knodel, et al. March 29, 1999;
 - b. Petitioner Sphar via article in Florida Today newspaper, March 30, 1999;
- 6. The Department's proposed action to issue an Air Construction Permit will affect the substantial interests of the Petitioners in the following way(s):

BCAP directors and members are residents of central Brevard County. Petitioners Knodel, Sphar, and Bock reside within 3 kilometers of the applicant's proposed facility. Petitioners Waters reside within 5.6 kilometers of the applicant's proposed facility. The petitioners contend that their health, well being, and quality of life will be significantly damaged by air emissions from the applicant's proposed project. The petitioners will suffer economic harm due to reduced property values as a consequence of close proximity to a facility that is classified as a Major or Title V Source of air pollution.

7. The material facts set forth in the Public Notice which are disputed by the petitioners include the following:

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- 8. The Petitioners would contend that the following facts warrant reversal or modification of the Department's Intent to Issue Air Construction Permit:
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- 10. The relief sought by Petitioners through this Request for Administrative Hearing includes the following:
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WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the Department grant an Administrative Review Hearing pursuant to sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes (1997) for any and all lawful purposes, including but not limited to reviewing, reconsidering and modifying the previously-issued Notice of Intent to Issue Air Construction Permit to the Applicant at the Brevard County site.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this the 12th day of April, 1999, the original of the foregoing Petition for Administrative Hearing was forwarded by first-class United States Mail to the Office of the General Counsel of the Department of Environmental Protection, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Mail Station #35, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000; and via facsimile transmission to (850) 487-4938; and that a true and correct copy was mailed to the Applicant at the address listed in paragraph 3 above.

JOHN-M: HARRIS STADLER & HARRIS, P.A. 1820 Garden Street Titusville, FL 32796 (407) 264-8800

Petition for Administrative Hearing

Petitioners:

Robert C. and Marlene A. Waters 5060 Palm Avenue Cocoa, FL 32926 Telephone: (407) 639-4357 (home) or (407) 268-0923 (business)

Applicant:

Oleander Power Project, L.P. Mr. Richard L. Wolfinger, Vice President 250 West Pratt Street, 23rd Floor Baltimore, MD 21201

Permit File Number: DEP File No. 0090180-001-AC (PSD-FL-258)

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Petitioner:
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Cocoa, Florida, 32926
President, Forest Lakes of Cocoa, a Condominium
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Fax 407-631-4801

Applicant: Oleander Power Project, L.P. Mr. Richard L. Wolfinger, VP 250 Pratt St. 23rd Floor Baltimore, MD. 21201 DECEIVE

DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Permit File Number: DEP File NR. 0090180-001-AC (PSD-FL-258)

Proposed Project to be located in Brevard County, Florida

Notice received by electronic mail from DEP on 29 Mar 1999.

Substantial interests of myself and the residents of Forest Lakes of Cocoa, a Condominium, are affected by this project. Forest Lakes is a 246 unit condominium located one mile south west of the proposed project. We contend that the health, well being, property values and quality of life of each unit owner will be significantly damaged by air emissions from the applicant's proposed project. We further contend that the quality of the 38-acre fresh water lake that comprises the condominium's major asset could also be damaged or degraded by fallout from this project.

Facts disputed by petitioner: We dispute the findings of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, (DEP) that the applicant has demonstrated the proposed facility will not cause or contribute to air pollution in excess of any maximum allowable increase or maximum allowable concentration for any pollutant stipulated in the Clean Air Act of the United States.

Facts we contend warrant reversal or modification: We contend that the DEP should not have waived the requirement for the applicant to perform pre-construction ambient air monitoring in support of his air construction permit application. We further contend that the applicant has not adequately demonstrated or proven that the proposed project will not adversely impact or exceed air quality standards set forth in the Clean Air Act of the United States. We have had our lake tested each month for the past 9 years by the University of Florida Lake Watch Program. This lake is in the top 10% for cleanliness, fishing, swimming and general use. We contend that the applicant has made no study of the impact of emissions fallout on the quality of our lake. We also contend that the DEP has not placed sufficient restrictions on the use of fuel oil during the operation of this plant.

Rules or statutes that we believe require reversal or modification of DEP actions: We contend that the DEP has not followed the letter and spirit of the Clean Air Act of the United States, Title 1, Part C, Section 165, Subsection 3 which states: "the owner or operator of such facility demonstrates, as required pursuant section 110(j), that emissions from construction or operation of such facility will not cause, or contribute to, air pollution in excess of any (A) maximum

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Petitioner seeks the following relief.

- 1. Require the applicant to perform at least one year of pre-construction monitoring of the pollutants identified in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 52.21.
- 2. Conduct a study on the impact of expected fallout on the lake at Forest Lakes.
- 3. Restrict the hours of combustion of fuel oil to a maximum of 20% of the total operating hours per calendar year. Should this percentage be exceeded in any calendar year, the next year's oil combustion hours would be reduced by that number of hours over 20%.

Michael H. Stallings

President

Forest Lakes of Cocoa, a condominium

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Craig Bock 865 Clifton's Cove Court Cocoa, FL 32926 Telephone: (407) 632-4344

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April 9, 1999

Department of Environmental Protection Office of General Counsel 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 35 Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000

Re: Oleander Power Project; DEP File No. 009-180-001-AC (PSD-FL-258)

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Dear Sir:

Please find attached my petition for an Administrative Hearing relative to the referenced DEP permitting action.

Yours truly,

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- j. Restrict the hours of combustion of distillate oil to a maximum 30 percent of the projected total operating hours per calendar year. If this percentage is exceeded in a calendar year, the next calendar year's combustion of distillate oil shall be reduced by the number of hours in excess of 30 percent.

