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> In the matter of the Complaint of Ken Meeks, et al. v. Gem Boat Service, Inc. et al. Case No. 85-1891-WS-CSS

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed please find an executed copy of the Affidavit of Paul Grunmel to be substituted with the blank copy attached to Respondents' Memorandum in Support of Jurisdiction, which was filed in the above-referenced matter on March 17, 1986. Please file-stamp one of the copies of the Affidavit and return to me in the self-addressed envelope enclosed for your convenience.

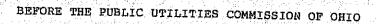
Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Juga Exetma Joyce D. Edelman

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In the Matter of the Complaint of Ken Meek, et al.,

Complainants,

Case No. 25-1891-WS-CSS

Gem Boat Service, Inc.

and

Paul Grummel,

VS.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PAUL GRUMMEL

STATE OF OHIO:

COUNTY OF

: SS.

First being duly cautioned and sworn, Paul Grummel states as follows:

- 1. I am the major stockholder and president of Gem Beach Marina, Inc. and a named Respondent in this case.
- 2. I bought "Gem Boat Service, Inc." in 1977 from Mr. Russ Dunbar and filed Articles of Incorporation on September 29, 1977 with the Ohio Secretary of State's office in Columbus, Ohio under the name Gem Beach Marina, Inc.
- 3. Gem Beach Marina, Inc. is involved in the general but marina business including, but not limited to, the purchase and sale at wholesale and retail boats and boat trailers, marine supplies, renting boat docking areas, storage

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of boats, and repair and servicing of boats and marine equipment.

- 4. The marina was started in 1943 and had one building and seven docks. Gem Beach Marina, Inc. now conists of about 485 docks and 32 acres with eight buildings used for storage, repair, a retail store, and offices.
- 5. The cottage development was started in the early 1940's and was developed on four plats.
- 6. In 1953, Gem Boat Service, Inc. built a water system to serve the marina and existing cottages. This was later expanded to accommodate growth in the docks and cottages.
- 7. The sewer system on the cottage development consists of six septic tanks of which three are abandoned. Three are used solely by the cottage owners. Two septic tanks are on the property of Gem Beach Marina, Inc. and are used and maintained by Gem Beach Marina, Inc.
- 8. Gem Boat Service, Inc. originally operated the sewer and water service. When I bought the corporation in 1977, Gem Beach Marina, Inc. continued to operate the sewer and water services for the cottage owners. Gem Beach Marina, Inc. voluntarily provided this service to the cottage owners. Gem Beach Marina, Inc. charged the cottage owners for sewer and water based upon the cost of maintaining and treating the sewage by pump out and maintaining and treating the water system.
- 9. Gem Beach Marina, Inc. never realized a profit from these services

10. Gem Beach Marina, Inc. stopped providing the sewage service to the Complainants in 1985 because the sewer lines and septic tanks are on the sole property of the Complainants.

11. Gem Beach Marina, Inc. has never considered itself to be a public utility and has never held itself out to the public as a public utility.

Further affiant says naught.

Paul Crummel

SWORN TO BEFORE ME and subscribed in my presence this 37^{15} day of MARCH , 1986

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My Commission Expires August 28, 1986

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