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Attn: Ms. Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator  
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee  
21 South Fruit Street  
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Dear Ms. Monroe:

New Hampshire has the opportunity to obtain a long term supply of American-sourced propane delivered safely and efficiently by rail, replacing expensive foreign-shipped propane. The Sea-3 project is ready to start construction, and it simply needs an exemption from another long and unnecessary study period that will only confirm what other exhaustive safety standards checks have already done: tell us that this project is safe and is good for New Hampshire. I ask you to vote yes so this project can get started.

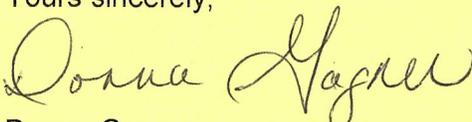
Lots of homes in New Hampshire use propane. 77,000 households plus, at last count. We rely on it, we need it, and Sea-3 has long delivered it safely to us. They are improving the process to ensure we have a constant responsive supply chain using North American propane that can be shipped to us cheaper by rail. The plan for the facility is approved, and the rail lines that were used by opposition as a scarecrow have passed all the necessary safety inspections. This facility is an efficient improvement, and there is no reason to stand in the way of the utility buying U.S. propane, shipping it to a safe facility, and us enjoying its many benefits in our homes and schools---all at a more reasonable price. This project needs to come online for the betterment of New Hampshire.

I know there is an opposition group, but a safety study conducted by Sebago Technics has confirmed what Sea-3 has said all along: the facilities and the plan to ship propane by rail meet all applicable safety standards. Sea-3's project has also met the requirements of the town of Newington, which has already approved the new facility. It seems the only thing Sea-3 is waiting for is an exemption from an additional year-long review--a review that seems to be to be an unnecessary delay given all the facts on the ground. There can be no further question that this is a good project, a safe project, and an improvement--and it should be given an immediate green light.

Consumers in New Hampshire should not have to suffer an additional winter of paying a premium for high-priced and potentially unstable supply channels from foreign markets when abundant and inexpensive supplies are available domestically. The SEC needs to do the right thing and grant the exemption that will allow consumers in New Hampshire to start saving money on heating fuel!

The expansion of Sea-3's propane handling terminal in Newington is vital to the energy security of New Hampshire. This facility will ensure we have safe, dependable, and cheaper supplies of American-produced propane available to the 77,000 households in New Hampshire that use it. The project has passed all safety and legal tests, in addition to the state's own safety inspection of the rail lines. So, for the benefit of all of New Hampshire, I strongly encourage you to grant the requested exemption and allow this facility to soon start saving New Hampshire money on winter heating fuel!

Yours sincerely,

  
Donna Gagner