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Dear SEC Committee Members,

Sea-3 has provided propane shipped from foreign sources safely to New Hampshire homes for a long time. But times change, and foreign sources have grown expensive to buy and expensive to ship. Fortunately, a new supply has developed--right here in the U.S.A., and Sea-3 has taken the initiative of developing a plan to safely and efficiently receive those supplies by rail in a new state-of-the-art facility in Newington. This project deserves to move forward, and it needs your support at the exemption hearing.

It is no accident that 77,000 households in New Hampshire rely on propane for heating their homes. It is cost-effective, clean-burning, and has been handled safely for years. Now Sea-3 wants to use a reliable and cheaper domestic supply shipped by rail to a dedicated unloading facility. Why wouldn't we want that? It's already been approved by the town, the safety study for the rail was satisfactory, and it is good for the people in our state who rely on propane all year long. This is progress for both our state and the country, and we have no reason to hold it up any longer.

If the SEC waits to grant Sea-3's exemption to upgrade their Newington terminal, New Hampshire citizens are the ones who will continue paying the price in higher propane costs and potential supply disruptions. It is all the more critical as we head into the colder months that the SEC acts quickly. The project will take time, and we want it to come on line as soon as possible.

The sooner it is approved, the sooner they will have access to cheaper, abundant propane sourced right here in the U.S. The project has met all guidelines, has been approved by Newington's Planning and Zoning board, and the rail lines have been professionally evaluated for their ability to carry New Hampshire's supply line safely. This project is ready to move forward, and the only thing it needs is for the SEC to grant an exemption from a process that is not only unnecessary, but unnecessarily long.

Best regards,



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