July 17, 2015

Jane Murray, Secretary NH Site Evaluation Committee NH Department of Environmental Science 29 Hazen Drive, Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095



RE: SEA-3 Request for Exemption (NHSEC No. 2015-01)

Dear Ms. Murray and Committee Members:

I urge you to support expansion of the SEA-3, Inc. propane storage facility, the only such facility in New England with direct railroad access. This expansion will allow lower-priced, U.S.-produced propane to be shipped to and stored in New Hampshire to stabilize propane supplies, especially during the winter.

I live in West Epping in a development of 50 new homes that sits near another development of 65 equally new homes. All of these homes use propane for heat. Many of these homes use propane for hot water, fireplaces, and gas dryers. Propane burns much cleaner than the oil and wood that I have used in the past, and requires less furnace maintenance. I would not want to revert to burning oil or wood for heat.

While I buy my propane under the auspices of a fuel cooperative to get an advantageous price, having a greater supply stored in New Hampshire would help keep prices low and reduce price volatility, especially during the winter. Therefore, I strongly favor the expansion of the Newington terminal and storage facility.

As a state Representative serving on the House Science, Technology, and Energy committee, I am well aware that New Hampshire stands to benefit greatly from the relatively nearby shale gas fields opened in the past few years. Bringing this low-cost natural gas and propane to our state will greatly enhance our energy future.

Please rule in favor of this expansion now so that these facilities can begin to bring more clean, low-cost, U.S.-produced propane to New Hampshire as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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