

October 7, 2015

Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator NH Site Evaluation Committee 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

Dear Committee members:

I am writing on behalf of the Associated General Contractors of NH's Board of Directors to urge the Site Evaluation Committee's approval of the SEA-3 exemption request for its proposed railcar offloading improvements at its Newington location.

The Associated General Contractors of NH membership includes over 100 of the state's top general contractors, subcontractors, equipment dealers and suppliers, and other industry professionals. Recognizing New Hampshire's needs for reliable and affordable energy, the AGC feels the SEA-3 improvements will help insure there is an adequate supply of propane throughout the state. Allowing New Hampshire businesses and homeowners the ability to take advantage of lower-costing domestic propane will go a long way in helping to address the rising cost of heat.

Clearly New Hampshire is facing severe energy challenges. While many of the projects being proposed will take years to complete, the improvements to the SEA-3 facility can be done in a short period of time, giving propane users economic benefits in the very near future. We urge you to move expeditiously and support this proposal that will directly help New Hampshire residents by increasing access to more affordable domestic propane.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gary A. Abbott

**Executive Vice President** 

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