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Attn: Ms. Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator  
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Dear Ms. Monroe:

I am writing to you today regarding the proposed Sea 3-facility expansion in Newington. I believe that New Hampshire deserves to have access to safe, less-expensive American-produced propane, and we need the Sea-3 expansion project to manage it. I am asking for your approval of the exemption that will allow Sea-3 to begin construction on this state of the art facility that will benefit so many of us in New Hampshire.

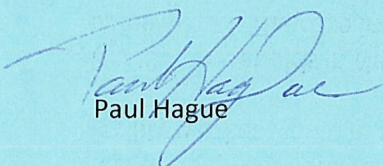
It is my understanding that even if this facility is not approved by the SEC, rail deliveries of propane gas will happen in New Hampshire, so withholding the exemption does nothing. In fact, it is doing harm, as instead of regular shipments to a facility offering expert handling and state-of-the-art safety features, propane deliveries will instead be offloaded along the rail line onto local dealer trucks with varying levels of physical infrastructure and equipment, and almost none of the facility standard safety features like water deluge, auto cut-off and fast fire suppression. Instead, we will have drivers standing along railroad tracks taking risks that no trained facility worker would ever dream of.

77,000 households in New Hampshire use propane. 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 responsive supply chain using North American propane that can be shipped to us cheaper by rail. The rail lines have also passed the relevant safety inspections. This facility is an improvement, and there is no reason to stand in the way of Sea-3 buying U.S. propane, shipping it to a safe facility, and us enjoying its many benefits at a cheaper price. This project needs to come online for the betterment of New Hampshire.

Consumers in New Hampshire should not have to suffer any more than necessary 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 benefits of this project are clear: safer, cheaper, and domestically-produced propane is available to New Hampshire. We should not be forced to continue to purchase higher-priced foreign supplies while a few groundless objections by activists are re-hashed. The facility is state of the art, the rail lines have been judged sound, and all of New Hampshire can start saving money. This project has met all the applicable requirements and should be allowed the exemption. We need a yes vote from you so this project can get started.

With thanks for your time and consideration,

  
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