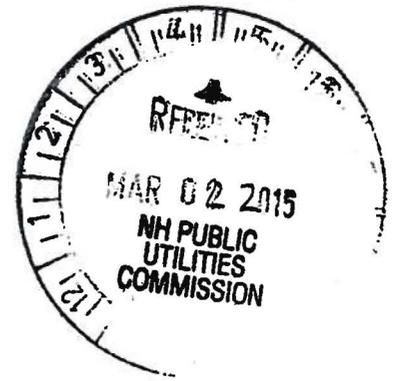


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Martin P. Honigberg, Chairman
Site Evaluation Committee
c/o NH Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Docket 2015-01 Sea-3 Request for exemption from a full Site Evaluation Committee project review.

Dear Mr. Honigberg:

We are residents of a densely populated area of Portsmouth that is located very close to the railway and the Sea-3 facility where a substantial increase in the transport of propane fuel is being proposed. Having participated in many of the planning board meetings in Newington, we feel that the town leadership and Sea-3 have no concern for the impact this proposal will have on the surrounding cities, towns, and the general Great Bay region.

We are quite aware of when there is train activity and have noted that there is more delivery of other goods than propane on the tracks. We have also noted some derailment activity of the locomotives in the immediate downtown of Portsmouth as well as most recently in our backyard (and that of many other neighbors).

We question Sea-3's intent in being a major influence in supplying the energy needs of New England. We are extremely disappointed in Newington's lack of concern for the environmental issues at hand for the precious Great Bay area, not to mention the safety of very historic and vibrant communities in the seacoast, of which their product will be traveling through. Propane will be traveling within several feet of many homes and businesses. Local emergency management also does not seem to be concerned of the impact of a propane disaster. Sea-3, Newington, and emergency management leaders refer to the safety that we have been blessed with in the region. That equates to the lack of experience in managing a significant disaster in the area and the news these days reflect a major increase of these in our country and Canada.

We request that Sea-3's application for an exemption from the full review of the state's Site Evaluation Committee for its proposed expansion of the company's propane storage and distribution facility be denied. The significance of its request upon the surrounding seacoast communities warrants a full review. We also support a full and impartial study of all the safety, economic and environmental impacts of this expansion be conducted before this facility's expansion be allowed.

Sincerely,

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