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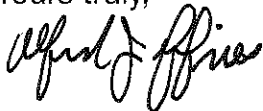
Re: Docket SB-2021-03; Sea 3 Providence LLC Petition for Declaratory Order
Regarding the Rail Incorporation Project

This Letter is in opposition to the Sea-3 proposal to transport liquid propane [LPG] to their Port of Providence site by rail tank cars to fill their proposed storage bullets.

The rail tracks which would likely be used to transport the liquid propane directly/ immediately about the property line of residents along the west side of Alger Avenue in South Elmwood, Providence. There are about 40 homes on both sides of Alger Ave and Deerfield Terrace in our neighborhood. A propane tank car derailment would be serious and a fire would be catastrophic. Lives lost, lives ruined & altered and homes and property destroyed. And no one would want to take responsibility. How many years would it take for residents to rebuild their lives not to mention those who would die during the process?

Ask yourself how many tank cars to fill and supply the 540,000 gallon tanks, and how many trips would be needed over the ~20 week heating season? It's simply too risky and too dangerous to the residents living beside these rail tracks and elsewhere. A full review of the Sea-3 petition is required.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alfred Jeffries". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Alfred" and last name "Jeffries" clearly distinguishable.

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From: Greg Gerritt <gerritt@mindspring.com>
Sent: Monday, February 28, 2022 2:21 PM
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Cc: Greg Gerritt
Subject: [EXTERNAL] : Do not let Sea 3 expand

Emma Rodvien and the members of the EFSB,

I am writing to express my concerns about the expansion of services at the Sea 3 terminal in which the owner has asked to significantly expand their LP tank storage capacity and start rail service of natural gas to the site through neighborhoods that already face a variety of environmental challenges. The location is already an environmental justice community with high asthma rates and should not be further burdened, but additionally this is going to be bad for the Providence and Rhode Island economies.

The gas business is going away. The sooner the better due to concerns over climate issues. An expansion of an industry that is going to be closed soon, so as to meet the requirement of Rhode Island's Act On Climate greenhouse gas emissions reduction requirements, makes little sense to begin with, nor does an expansion of fossil fuel facilities in a place extremely vulnerable to sea level rise given the very recent report that says sea level rise is going even faster than predicted and will be over 1 foot in the next 20 years and possibly 4 feet by 2100. It would be a serious waste of resources to expand Sea 3.

The other part of this is the loss of new opportunities. Tying up land and resources in expanding the fossil fuel industry means that we lose, for at least 20 to 40 years, the opportunity to put something else on the site that would actually benefit Providence and Rhode Island for the long term. It may be hard to find the right mix of industries and businesses to place there, but surely betting on fossil fuels is the least useful alternative, and the one likeliest to create hazards and hardships down the road, while holding on to space that could be put to better use. And it is unlikely that anyone wants to be known for increasing hazards and supporting businesses that will disappear soon with almost no benefits for the community.

We know the regulatory agencies are always thinking about the economy more than they think about the ecology, despite healthy ecosystems underlying all prosperity. Expanding Sea 3 moves us in the wrong direction in the wrong direction as well as making it harder to do the right thing, the things that would smooth the way for

a clean prosperous future. Please help us protect the long term prosperity of Providence and Rhode Island by turning down the expansion of Sea 3.

Thank you.

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