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*Via e-mail and first-class mail*

Susan M. Lessard, Chair  
c/o Terry Hanson  
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#17 State House Station  
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Re: Calais LNG and Calais Pipeline

Dear Chair Lessard:

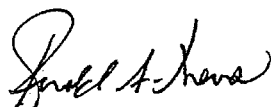
SPB-US and NN firmly oppose Calais LNG's latest effort to further delay this matter, and request that its applications be withdrawn or dismissed as incomplete.

All parties continue to be poised at the brink of hearing this matter's merits. Yet, Calais LNG unequivocally concedes that its application is incomplete. It is at square one – presently attempting to negotiate financial backing. Such a task must be accomplished *before* an application is filed, particularly an application of this magnitude. In addition, Calais LNG claims that its application is incomplete in several, yet-to-be defined substantive areas. It claimed that these substantive deficiencies were of a magnitude warranting postponement of the July hearing.

Basic fairness requires a process with a level of certainty that allows citizens to fully participate. SPB-US and NN members have jobs and other obligations that they must turn to. It is prejudicial to keep parties and witnesses dangling. Calais LNG's last-minute requests have had impacts on hundreds of people, and severely impede citizen participation in this process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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