

**Town of Stockton Springs**  
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June 8, 2012

Mr. J. Bruce Probert, Chair  
Town of Searsport Planning Board  
P.O. Box 499, One Union Street  
Searsport, Maine 04974

Dear Mr. Probert:

We have been contacted by the Town of Islesboro Town Council and many residents of our coastal region including Stockton Springs concerning the proposed DCP Midstream LPG Tank and Terminal that is being proposed in Searsport. Certainly this is a regional concern.

We first expressed our concerns in a February 2, 2012 letter to the Army Corp of Engineers.

In that letter, we raised six questions and concerns:

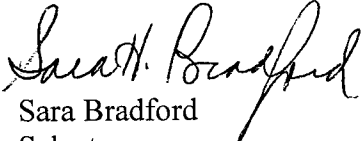
1. What will be the economic impact to Searsport and or surrounding towns?
2. Would you be willing to do an independent economic impact study of this facility upon Searsport and /or neighboring towns?
3. Safety is an important factor to Stockton Springs' citizens. What consequences of damage to property or lives would DCP put in place for Searsport and surrounding towns? Is it mandatory that an evacuation plan or hazard mitigation plan be made available to surrounding communities as well as Searsport?
4. How will real estate values in Stockton Springs be impacted? Would that be part of the economic impact assessment? In many ways because of the proximity of Stockton Harbor to this facility, the impact on real estate values is a big issue.
5. Railroad traffic is an important consideration to our town as we have approximately 8 crossings at public roads, only two of which have flashing lights etc. Has the railroad infrastructure been assessed in that it may be involved in transporting the propane to other parts of Maine? Much of the heavily populated sections of Stockton Springs are in close proximity to the rail tracks which heightens our awareness of any dangerous situations that might arise.
6. Are there any benefits of this project that might impact out town that we are unaware of?

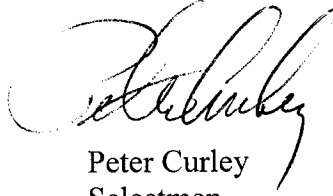
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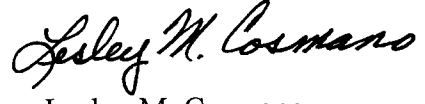
The issues we raised in February are still unanswered and remain real concerns for the Town of Stockton Springs and our region as a whole.

Given the impact that this development will have on our region, we wish to have our concerns heard and on file.

Sincerely,

  
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Peter Curley  
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Lesley M. Cosmano  
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CC: James Gilway, Town Manager, Searsport  
Hon. Aaron Fethke, Chair, Searsport Town Council  
Hon. Craig Olsen, Chair, Islesboro Town Council