## FAIRFIELD COUNTY COMMODORES ASSOCIATION

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To: Ms. Magalie R. Salas, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426

Subject: Broadwater; Docket No. PF05-4-000

Our organization was founded in 1993 and represents fourteen clubs with over 5,000 members, including more than 1,500 junior sailors and 3,000 adult boaters.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our strongest concerns regarding the following issues, in addition to those included in the Currently Identified Environmental Issues listed in the FERC Pre-EIS Notice of August 11, 2005:

- The combined fleet of LNG tankers, tugs, fire and safety boats, security and service vessels represent a significant increase in commercial traffic on Long Island Sound.
- Already strained US Coast Guard and Homeland Security resources, funding and assets would be stretched even further and could negatively affect other emergency responses.
- Lack of an Energy Conservation Plan and Alternative Energy Plan for the entire area.
- Unknown thermal impact to the air and water of the proposed regasification facility.
- Significant loss of navigational options and increased boater safety risks due to magnitude of the FSRU and LNG Vessel safety zones.
- Unknown, untested and unproven hurricane impact risk assessment.
- Potential shut down of the entry to Long Island Sound at The Race, due to accident or terrorism.
- Negative disturbance and non recovery of the seabed caused by the installation of the Iroquois pipeline 15 years ago, which would be further disturbed by the Broadwater connection.
- Precedent would be set by privatizing our national treasure and estuary that has been deeded to the public.

Thank you for the opportunity to present our concerns. We strongly urge action be taken to find alternative locations outside of Long Island Sound for the proposed facility.

Respectfully submitted,

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