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Department for a period of time, does not necessarily make it appropriate. At this time, Chairman Renaud opened the meeting to comments from the various dignitaries who were present as well as the general public who expressed both support and opposition to the project. Senator Hodgson appealed to the State Properties Committee to please make the right decision regarding approval of the requests of the Department of Environmental Management, the Department of Transportation and Deepwater Wind Block Island Transmission, LLC and realize that this project provides no benefit to the State of Rhode Island or its residents. Former Attorney James O'Neill also urged the State Properties Committee to deny Deepwater Wind Block Island Transmission, LLC's request for a utility easement application as did members of the Narragansett Town Council who expressed their opposition to the approval of this project together with many residents of the Town of Narragansett. Dawson Hodgson, State Senator representing the southern half of the Town of Narragansett spoke in opposition to this proposal. Senator Hodgson indicated that he fully understands this body's limited purview as the State Properties Committee; however, I am casting no dispersions on

DOT or DEM in terms of their due diligence on the technical aspect of these easements. Senator Hodgson, yet, objects to this project in the strongest possible terms on behalf of his constituents and on behalf of the business rate payers across the entire State of Rhode Island. Senator Hodgson believes the Committee has raised some very relevant concerns about passing even more costs on to the rate payers from the construction portion of this project. However, the