To whom it may concern:

After review of the NERA study, it appears that exporting natural gas to global markets is somewhat of a rare opportunity that generates economic activity beneficial to America. Exports would improve the balance of trade and could significantly reduce the trade deficit.

It would create large infrastructure projects supporting employment to thousands of people directly involved in the construction and operational phases at a time when a boost in the economy would benefit all. It would bring in revenue from foreign sources to support the employment of workers at all levels.

The available known supply is tremendous and selling to foreign consumers is of no detriment to the domestic demand. The created infrastructure would strengthen America's security in the unfortunate event of international conflict, hot or cold. The increased activity would inherently create more emphasis on the recovery of flared gas, reducing environmental concerns and conflicts.

Please be known that I encourage and support the foreign sales of liquefied gas.

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