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Dear Secretary Chu,

To justify exporting LNG, our own nation’s energy needs must be fully satisfied first. That should be our priority. A comprehensive study should at the very least be attempted at examining our country’s energy needs for the next decade or two and how we phase into sustainable energy.

Myopic, outdated, incomplete reports do not justify exportation of a valued asset that belongs to the American people but will be exploited by a few at the expense of everyone’s health due to polluted water and air. And at the expense of our economy as well, as Senator Wyden thoroughly expounded in his letter to you of January 20th. He goes far beyond the obvious loss to “we, the people”, including our manufacturers, in the consumption of energy will be subjected to worldwide demand prices, and thereby reduce our disposable income and profits which feeds our GNP. He has used your reports that admitted but minimized damage to our economy and put numbers and faces to the problems. I urge you to fully scrutinize his letter.

With the clamor to bulldoze a pipeline across the middle of our country to bring Canadian oil sand (not to put through our country to Texas) and increase coal production and continue to be dependent on Middle East oil, surely it must be a jest to suggest exporting the relatively clean LNG. Thereby, doing so, promote fracking with unlimited threat to our ground water.

While we import dirty oil to process and pollute our air, we have no sane reason to export a relatively cleaner energy (LNG) while contaminating our soil and water in the extraction (fracking).

Yours truly,

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