Dear U.S. Department of Energy & President Obama,

Exporting LNG is not in our public interest.

I urge the DOE to consider all the costs: costs to our health, our environment, as well as our economy.

I agree with the many concerns raised by others about the negative economic impact that the required infrastructure of pipelines, liquefaction facilities, shipping terminals, and fracking will have on the environment and healthcare of local citizens. We are all aware of the increasing costs of climate change. Fracking and the supercooling of natural gas for export, as well as shipping the LNG, will only contribute to the problem, as well as consume an enormous amount of energy!

I agree with Senator Wyden in his January 10th letter to Secretary Chu, that the NERA Economic Study, based on a 2010 report, needs to be “updated with new projections, more realistic market assumptions, regional impact of the proposed actual export terminals, and evaluations on the actual impact on consumers and businesses of exporting LNG.”

Senator Wyden concludes that the DOE study “is not an adequate basis upon which to approve individual applications, such as the Jordan Cove proposed export facility or the Pacific Connector Pipeline.”

I ask that the Department of Energy denounce this study as inadequate and make a more realistic study of the true costs of exporting our domestic fuels.

The DOE has a responsibility to conduct a complete environmental and economic assessment of LNG exports to determine if they are of benefit to the American public.

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