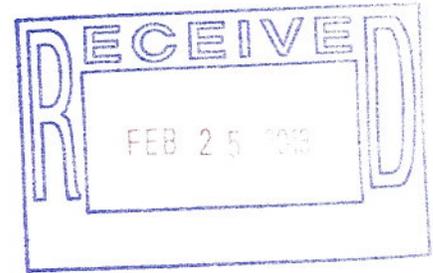


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Secretary Steven Chu
2012 LNG Export Study
U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34)
Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities
Office of Fossil Energy
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Dear Secretary Chu-

When we have the opportunity to start exporting one of our natural resources such as liquefied natural gas, we should take advantage of it. It is disappointing that United States Rep. Ed Markey has written a letter to the United States Department of Energy opposing this. Like many Americans, I do not like the fact that we are so energy dependent on other countries. This needs to change, and this is our opportunity to start that change.

Here in the Harrisburg area, we are victims of this economy as much as anywhere in America. Our largest industry is transportation. Other industries in our area are farming and pastry making. We are famous for our ladyfingers. As you can imagine, with the high cost of fuel as well as the poor state of the economy, the transportation industry is not flourishing. Even our own state government, from which I retired, is no longer replacing retiring employees. That in itself says a lot about our present situation.

Allowing the exportation of our liquefied natural gas would only boost job growth here and all across America. We cannot allow this chance to pass us by. My three children and seven grandchildren all live in this area. The job market needs to be turned around so they can continue to live in the area, unlike so many other families that have been split apart because of job loss. It is very hard to understand why anyone would be opposed to this country reaping the benefits of our own natural resources. Please do not allow the few to dictate policy that affects so many. Move forward with the approval for exporting liquefied natural gas abroad.

Sincerely,

Barbara Hammaker

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara Hammaker" with a decorative flourish at the end.

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