

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

Despite our success Virginia Beach and the greater territory, current energy policies have denied us the ability to drill for oil twelve miles off the shore of our beaches. Now, Massachusetts Congressman Ed Markey has drafted correspondence against a proposal that might at least allow us the opportunity to use our port of entry. Cargo and tourism are our two mainstays, and we could be directly impacted by residual gains from shipping liquefied natural gas to other countries.

Governor Bob McDonnell has helped to make Virginia the best state in North America. His ability to balance the budget and create jobs while not overspending makes him akin to supernatural. I can even say, I have no qualms about the environment; and it is important to me given that it is the air I breathe. We have shown ourselves to be responsible in our dealings, so there is no reason to delay the export of liquefied natural gas.

After retirement, I started a small business dealing in outside maintenance and repair parts. With 65,000 parts in my catalog, I serve as many clients as possible. Having turned 71 years old on February 7, 2013, I continue to work and be productive. I am optimizing the experience I obtained working for other companies. In the same way, we must use the bountiful resources we possess in natural gas to advance the interest of our homeland in the way of employment, deficit reduction and revenue. Otherwise, we are wasting a valuable commodity.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bruce James".

Bruce James