



Secretary Steven Chu
2012 LNG Export Study
U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34)
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Dear Secretary Chu:

Exporting liquefied natural gas is a win-win situation for everyone, and the study completed by your department shows that this county does have some resources to help us in all areas of economic recovery and growth. Attention should be given to your study, and no time should be wasted in putting your stamp of approval on these exports. There is no reason that any lawmaker or politician, like Representative Markey and his comments to you, should find fault in this opportunity. Increased tax revenues will benefit local and state economies, as well as the national economy.

In my community there is a big presence of copper mines. Some of these mines have shut down, however, and people need jobs badly. Because people in this area have less money in their pockets, small businesses are also suffering. Although I am employed as a cab driver, one of my two daughters is unemployed and her unemployment benefits have expired as well. She has not even been successful in finding employment in the local retail sector. Exporting natural gas will create jobs nationwide and may help some displaced workers in our community find employment. I would like to see my two daughters and their children have some sort of future.

Government environmental agencies should not interfere with the retrieval and utilization of our natural gas. Although I do love animals and plant life, people and jobs have to be the top priority. Animals will relocate to find food and nature is resilient. We desperately need the positive effects that the exportation of LNG would have on job growth and our trade balance.

Yours truly,

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