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Secretary Steven Chu  
2012 LNG Export Study  
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Dear Secretary Chu:

Exporting liquefied natural gas overseas is a good way to help this country. The amount of jobs it will create and the boost to our economy is sorely needed. The government needs to get out of the way and let us move forward. Our unemployment rates are far too high, and the trade balance is severely lopsided.

When Michigan lost our representatives in Congress, it created a negative situation here. After living here in Battle Creek for thirty-five years now, I have seen how slow and sluggish our economic recovery has been. Recently, I took a four hundred dollar a month pay cut just to keep my job as a sixth grade Social Studies teacher. I have been teaching for twenty-five years now. We need to get this economy going again, and the exportation of LNG could do this and much more. Growing up in Texas, I am fully aware of the need for continued drilling and exploration of our country's natural gas and oil. Both of my brothers work in the oil industry in Texas.

The Environmental Protection Agency and government are not allowing us to obtain the permits we need to develop our own resources. If we have the ability to export our excess LNG it will create jobs in all industries. Representative Markey's opposition to this proposal seems like another way for the government to hurt us. We need the jobs and the economic benefits exportation can bring us.

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