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Dear Secretary Chu:

In 1997, I retired after 27 years as a high school biology teacher here in Tallulah. The unemployment here is high, with no industry to speak of after the sawmill burned down. The job creation to come from the export of liquefied natural gas (LNG) will only serve to help this country and this state.

It is the rare student who finds a job in the area after graduating. We need options to expand our existing industries to revitalize areas like mine. This export proposal will do just that, opening Louisiana ports to new trade activity.

The argument Representative Ed Markey offered to you on the subject seemed counter-productive to the direction this country should be headed. I do not claim to be an expert in the field, but I can see no reason to oppose this idea. Exporting, not stockpiling, sounds like a winning proposition.

Yours truly,

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