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Secretary Steven Chu
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Dear Secretary Chu:

Exporting liquefied natural gas (LNG) will generate the jobs and revenue that this country greatly needs. There are too many jobless people depending on the government. We should work to reduce unemployment as a nation to benefit the economy rather than taxing citizens further. This can be accomplished if you will approve the export of LNG.

I came out of retirement to work as a truck driver because of the flexibility it provides, but I am frustrated that I'm getting paid less despite the recent requirement to spend more on essential equipment for the job. Previously, I worked as a general contractor building homes before I retired at approximately 57 years old. I also spent ten years in California working as an electrical engineer in the aerospace industry, and then approximately two years were spent in medical equipment development with a short stint in sales. With such an extensive and varied work history, I feel confident in saying that exporting LNG will not only replenish this locale, but the nation as a whole with much needed revenue.

My community's prominent industries are oil related industries and sugar cane production. I have seen new service companies in my community which should provide more job opportunities, but the local economy is still doing poorly. I know there is some natural gas drilling going on around here, but there seems to be less fracking. Expanding the natural gas industry to export is exactly what my community and many others need. Please do not allow Congressman Ed Markey's opposition to dissuade you from implementing the plan to export liquefied natural gas. We need this to get people back to work.

Thanks,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Lawrence".

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