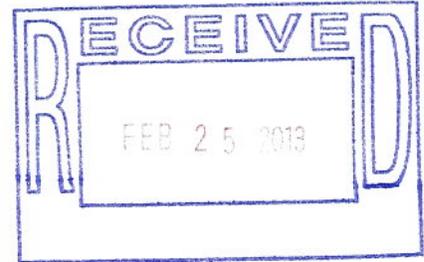


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Dear Secretary Chu,

This country is not where it needs to be when it comes to international trade. When the labor costs in this country rose higher than those overseas, American production was severely crippled. Currently, our primary exports are the meats, wheat, and soy that are produced in areas of the country like mine. We need to embrace other export opportunities, such as the initiative to sell our excess natural gas on the foreign market. Doing so will enable us to eliminate our trade deficit.

This country needs to develop a sound energy policy. We have bountiful natural resources in states like North Dakota and Montana that could be exploited more extensively. We just need to get approval to utilize them. My thirty-five years of experience as a professor of business management give me every reason to believe that taking this step would be a win-win for our country and for private industry.

During my career, I have realized that business, like all fields, is constantly changing as the world changes. Congressman Markey's attitude towards stockpiling will stagnate industry, whereas natural gas exportation would expand the energy production, manufacturing, and trade industries. I may have retired from teaching eleven years ago, but I can still see that this is a worthy endeavor to pursue.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis Sarenpa