



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

The United States could become a country able to supply plenty of energy for its own needs. At the same time, we have the potential to become a major exporter of energy products to the rest of the world. Politicians like Rep. Markey of Massachusetts have made it clear to you and the country that they want to hold back our production of energy and our exporting of liquefied natural gas (LNG), which is certainly not in our economic best interests. Energy self-sufficiency should be our goal and could be accomplished in four years if we set our minds to it. Becoming an exporter of LNG would be a step in the right direction, and I urge the Department of Energy to endorse this idea.

The expansion of this country's energy resources towards exporting LNG would provide a huge number of jobs for Americans. My family is all too familiar with the poor economy and the equally poor job outlook. My wife was laid off from her job at Walmart and I am a semi-retired pastor who is not making the same amount of money that I once did. These are tough times for us. There simply are no large manufacturers around here looking to hire new workers. This makes it very hard for young people coming out of school to find any employment in this area.

While my home does not use natural gas, I have heard what a wonderful and affordable product it is proving to be. I have recently read that Honda is producing a car that runs on natural gas. If this is the case, that is all the more reason for us to expand our production and start exporting this material as soon as possible. It is a great product; we should take advantage of its full potential.

Best,

Donald Andrews