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Dear Secretary Chu,

Exporting liquefied natural gas will create hundreds of thousands of jobs. This will begin with the building of plants and converting existing plants from importing to exporting. It will correct our trade deficit and stimulate the economy as well. Producing the natural gas will provide jobs in the gas fields, shipping, pipeline, and so many other areas. In spite of Representative Ed Markey's letter in opposition to exporting LNG, I ask that you approve this proposal.

Sarasota is the cultural capital of the world outside of New York City. We have lots of tourism, museums, and theaters here. Of course, there is no drilling in our area but oil fields in the Florida panhandle have been actively producing for forty years. This has boosted the economy and kept it going in that area.

Unfortunately, natural gas is not available for my household use but if it were I would convert my vehicle to natural gas. I have worked for thirty-four years as an air conditioning contractor, and money saved on fuel would help my bottom line. Waste Management has converted many of their fleets, and I am sure other companies will follow suit. Natural gas is an energy source that is in great demand. It only makes sense for the United States to export our excess and reap the financial rewards.

Best regards,


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