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Dear Secretary Chu-

Years of importing and borrowing have placed America in a very dangerous situation. The time has come to put a stop to this and start leaning toward being an energy independent Nation. Exporting liquefied natural gas (LNG) to other countries will expedite the economic recovery we are aiming for. By selling our excess resources, we can create jobs that are high quality and steady. The billions in revenue will start to flow back into our communities again. The deficit can finally level off and start going down. This is a great proposal.

As a geologist in the natural gas industry for forty-two years, I believe we should utilize these resources to our advantage. Doing so will put the drillers back to work and improve states like Pennsylvania that have been shut down in this field. Companies like Dow Chemical will rally against it, but this is only in their interest. The people of the Nation are the first priority. British Petroleum spent twenty billion dollars on nonsense, paying for something that might or might not happen. Therein lies the problem with our world, wasteful spending.

I hope the Department of Energy sees the need to authorize LNG export. The profits we can make from this natural resource will have an incalculable benefit for our economy. There will always be opposition letters like the one Representative Markey wrote; this is only natural. The facts show that we will all improve from this decision. Every dollar made is one more dollar we can take off our deficit. Slowly but surely, we can turn this opportunity to our advantage.

Thank you for your help,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'D. Turner', is written over the typed name.

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