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Secretary Steven Chu
2012 LNG Export Study
U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34)
Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities
Office of Fossil Energy
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Dear Secretary Chu:

We have a great resource that can bring more money into our country and reduce our trade deficit. Developing our natural gas through fracking for our own use, then exporting the surplus in liquid form will benefit our entire nation. We need to produce more here instead of importing so much and become producers as opposed to continuing to be consumers. In spite of Representative Ed Markey's comments in his recent letter to the Department of Energy, I hope you will support the exportation of liquefied natural gas.

Vermont depends mostly on tourism and service related industries. I have lived here all my life, and we see a major influx of travelers in the autumn because of the beauty of our wooded hillsides. Winter, of course, brings those who enjoy our wonderful ski slopes. There is very little, if any, manufacturing in our area. I am a homemaker and my husband, Ken, has worked as a carpenter for forty years. Hopefully, he can retire soon if the economy and our finances allow it.

The proposal before you to authorize exporting our surplus LNG must be approved for the good of our economy, our citizens, and our nation. It will be instrumental in creating jobs and bring money into our nation's coffers. There is no downside - please do the right thing.

Your constituent,

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