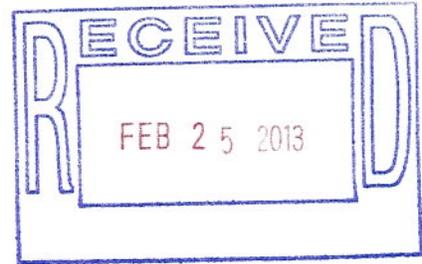


Secretary Steven Chu
2012 LNG Export Study
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Dear Secretary Chu-

Our nation is in a serious financial rut, and we need to find a way out of it. With the vast amounts of energy currently being produced in this country, now is the time to start exporting it. Since we have the plants that are capable of liquefying our natural gas and we are finding so much of it, it would only make sense to start exporting liquefied natural gas (LNG).

As the owner of a pet-sitting business, I know firsthand how much the economy has slowed in the last ten to eleven years. It seems that, as the economy slows, so do service-oriented businesses like mine that are not seen as essential. However, we do have a new restaurant, Grinders, as well as a dry cleaning shop opening in the area. This is a positive sign and I hope that things are beginning to turn around in my town.

Even though Congressman Markey has stated in his letter to you that he is against exporting LNG, I really do not see how it is his choice. Yes, he is entitled to his opinion, but for that matter, we all are. Hopefully, you will do what is best for the country as a whole, rather than listening to just one man's voice.

Sincerely,

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