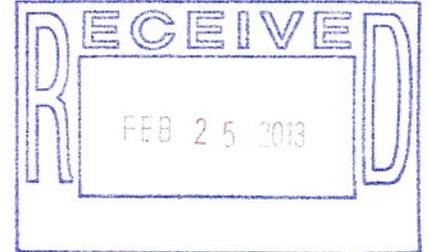


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Dear Secretary Chu-

America is the Saudi Arabia of natural gas. It seems unbelievable that Congressman Ed Markey has notified you of his concerns about the supply available in this country. We should be taking advantage of the opportunity to export liquefied natural gas to stimulate job growth and fuel the economy. It is also in the best interest of our nation to do something to eliminate the trade imbalance that we are facing. Exporting natural gas would bring a great amount of revenue into our country. We are very tired of seeing our dollars sent overseas for imported products.

We are both retired. Linda worked in the medical field as an x-ray technician and I am a retired police officer. We have seen how the stagnant economy has affected city service budgets and medical facilities in our area. Several of the smaller communities nearby have lost manufacturing and other businesses. Less money is available to spend in our town and businesses feel the pinch. The economic downturn has affected everyone and jobs are a huge concern.

Our country should be utilizing all of our natural resources. We have coal production fifty miles north of us as well as in the southern part of our state. The benefit to our local economy is sizable, and production should be increased. It is unfortunate that the current political climate is not supportive of using coal. In addition to natural gas, coal must also be a part of the equation for energy independence in the United States.

While you are considering approving exportation of liquefied natural gas, I urge you to remember what is most important. Encouraging a strong economy and the creation of jobs should be your utmost concern. Move the authorizations forward quickly without any further senseless dissent.

Sincerely,

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