



Secretary Steven Chu  
2012 LNG Export Study  
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Dear Secretary Chu:

One resource that America has in abundance is natural gas. Although it is important to consider that our resources will run out someday, we should still make the most of this valuable resource while we can. One of the best ways to benefit from our surplus natural gas is by liquefying it so that we can transport it to other countries.

These days, it seems like America is importing more than ever. I've noticed that every time I go to the store almost everything I see is imported. We even recently tried to buy American grown pineapple, only to realize that even the Dole brand canned pineapple is imported from the Philippines. It is becoming abundantly clear that we need to balance the trade deficit by exporting more goods instead of importing.

Aside from a local carnival ride manufacturer and a farming equipment manufacturer, the oil and gas industry are about all we have in my region. There are still people in this area who are out of work, so expanding the natural gas industry will be beneficial. Occasionally, there are people like **Representative Ed Markey** who publicly oppose and try to slow projects like natural gas export. It is clear that exporting liquefied natural gas (LNG) is one way we can expand our natural gas industry and create even more jobs here in Colorado, so I can't agree with the opposition. I'm a math teacher myself, but it doesn't take a mathematician to see the economic benefit that exporting LNG could have.

Thanks,

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