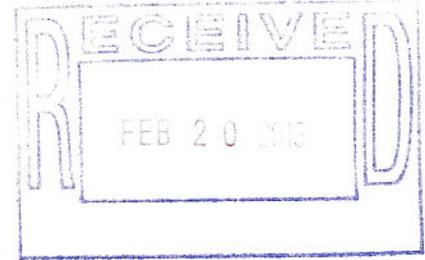


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Dear Secretary Chu,

This country needs to again have more of a presence in the world market. I remember fifty years ago when all you could find were American products, and anything foreign had an exotic appeal. Now, the reverse is true. The proposal for America to begin exporting our surplus natural gas in liquefied form (LNG) should be accepted if only to get our nation's trade into the global market, but there are noticeable benefits in other areas as well.

After thirty years with General Motors in Delaware, I made the move to Florida for the weather. The cold aggravated a pinched nerve in my neck. I was lucky I had spent the majority of my working days up there though, as there is little employment to be found here beyond dollar stores and Walmart. With the plant closing at Crystal River, there are even fewer jobs. The 75,000 job openings predicted by the Department of Energy's study on LNG exportation would do wonders to benefit areas like mine.

If America has a surplus of a resource, there is no reason for us to withhold its export, as Massachusetts Representative Ed Markey would lead you to believe. America will benefit from the trade revenue; it will benefit from the jobs. Please allow us to reap these benefits.

Best regards,

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