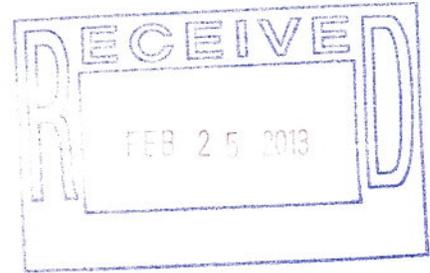


Secretary Steven Chu
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Dear Secretary Chu:

There is little to agree with concerning Rep. Markey's letter to the Department of Energy. Natural gas is a commodity - if a company or foreign country wants to purchase it we should liquefy it and sell it. Doing the same thing we did with the Keystone Pipeline and blocking it will only exacerbate our already crippled economy. Exportation would lead to increased production and the balancing of our trade deficit.

The increase in demand for exporting liquefied natural gas overseas will serve to keep the supply plentiful in this country. If there is no incentive to produce for a broader market, it could negatively impact the national economy. Both gas and oil production are increasing in the Tulsa area. The energy niche of our economy is growing, but other businesses are just holding their own. Tulsa is highly active in the energy business. Many of our manufacturing facilities make equipment and parts that support drilling and wells. Originally from Kansas, I moved to this area about ten years ago. I have seen firsthand how a thriving energy market can increase prosperity, as it has done just that here.

If we are truly serious about energy independence, we should encourage natural gas production. I believe that natural gas could be the fuel of the century because of its abundance and ease of use. Not only should we be exporting, we should also be working to use a compressed form of fuel in our vehicles. The company I work for is involved in the transport of natural gas. We provide pipelines and are a small entity in the transport process. Our company would benefit from exporting LNG of course but, more importantly, so would our state as well as the entire nation. Representative Markey's fears are way off base. Please move forward as soon as possible and authorize exports for the good of our economy.

Yours truly,

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