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Dear Secretary Chu:

The exportation of our surplus liquefied natural gas would provide a nice boost to the United States economy. The recent opposition of this project by Representative Markey has come to light, and it will be unfortunate if the project to upgrade the import facilities to export LNG is thwarted because of the opinion of one man.

At eighty-nine years old, I live in a gated retirement community, so I do not currently know anyone working in the energy industry. In 1986, I moved to Ocala from California, where I had lived since 1947. I worked as a newspaper reporter for twenty-six years prior to retirement. Although I do not have any experience in the energy industry, I keep up with the news online and feel America needs to increase energy production. Why are we still importing resources from the Middle East when we have such abundance here, especially with shale drilling?

Increasing United States revenue by exporting surplus LNG should be permitted. Whenever I go out running errands, I see people standing on the streets holding signs begging for help because they are homeless, jobless, and penniless. It is important to put our natural resources to work for us in order to get America back to work and curb inflation. For these reasons, I urge you to approve the LNG export project.

Yours truly,

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