

Secretary Steven Chu
2012 LNG Export Study
U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34)
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Dear Secretary Chu-

The study published by your office proved the enormous benefits to the American economy if we were to expand natural gas production and export the surplus to other countries. As with any study, there are always those who can pick it apart. Please disregard the negative response offered by Representative Ed Markey by way of letter to you in December. The pluses are too important to ignore.

All of our main factories in Bedford, Altoona, Johnstown, and Somerset went to China and Mexico a few years ago. Add that to our loss of the steel mills in Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, and you have a terrible recipe for disaster. A glimmer of hope has appeared in the form of natural gas exploration. Our towns are slowly getting off the bench and into the game. A friend of mine has a well and he has the potential to do quite well because of it. I would gladly lease my land if I were approached by a gas company.

Over the road hauling was once a thriving business in Pennsylvania. I was in sales and management for Coleman Carrier Transport for many years. It was a terrific job which allowed me to retire comfortably. These jobs are just not around anymore. I retired just in the nick of time, when manufacturing here started its steep decline. Americans need access to solid, sustainable employment. Exporting liquefied natural gas will spark an infinite amount of industry that just may jumpstart the economy.

Thank you for your help,

Robert Wilson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert Wilson".

Robert Wilson