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Dear Secretary Chu-

It is estimated that sixty to seventy percent of the people in my hometown are being supported by welfare to some degree. What we need are more jobs, like the ones that used to be available with a decent paying wage, because welfare will not lead to economic recovery. Now this country can begin exporting one of its own natural resources, liquefied natural gas (LNG), with the Department of Energy's approval, which will bring more jobs. Yet, Representative Markey has come out against us doing so, which I really do not understand.

Shortly after I retired from DuPont back in the nineties, after having been employed with them for thirty-six years, they started downsizing dramatically. Over the years, they have gone from employing thirty-five hundred people down to just around a hundred people. The only other decent sized employer in the area is Boeing with about three to four hundred. Additionally, I find it terribly unfortunate that both my son and my son-in-law commute thirty miles each way to work just to be able to earn a livable wage.

Future generations have a very rough road ahead of them if we do not do something very soon to turn this country around. Even though I get by on my small pension and Social Security, it concerns me that my children and grandchildren do not have the same opportunities to look forward to that I once did. We have the chance to make a positive difference by exporting our LNG and creating many badly needed jobs. It is my sincere hope that you take that into account when you review the proposal, and look at all sides, not just the opposition that Rep. Markey expressed to you.

Thank you for your help,

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