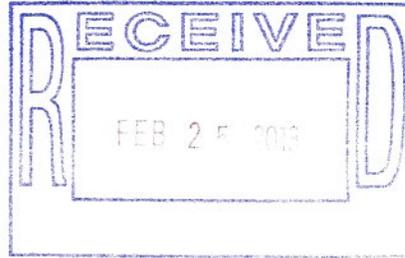


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Secretary Steven Chu
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Dear Secretary Chu,

It is really sad to see what has happened to our community over the past few years. This was once a thriving farming area. However, because of the cost of grains and fuel, farmers could no longer afford to keep operating. Something must be done to bring jobs and hope back to towns and cities like mine. Contrary to the opinion Representative Ed Markey expressed in his letter to you, I believe that exporting liquefied natural gas will help the United States immensely.

My husband and I are both retired and living on a fixed income. It is very difficult to make ends meet in this economy when your pension is frozen. We were both government employees; my husband worked for the Department of Transportation for thirty-four years and I was employed by the Department of Health and Human Services for twelve years before retiring. My oldest daughter is a doctor and my youngest is a principal at an elementary school. A third daughter has been out of work since last June. It would be fantastic if exporting liquefied natural gas would create more jobs for unemployed people like my daughter.

All in all, I think America imports too much. This is the reason we are facing economic hard times. When I go shopping in the department stores, if it is made in China or Japan, I would rather do without than give them my money. We have to start manufacturing our own goods just as we must begin producing our own energy. What is left over can be exported to other countries. America needs jobs now. I hope that you will allow exports of liquefied natural gas.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Virginia Dixon". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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