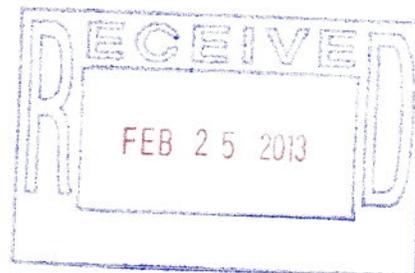


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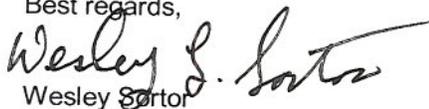
Dear Secretary Chu,

There has been much news about exporting liquefied natural gas (LNG). The Department of Energy has opened up a short time for public comments on their recently published study. I fully support any proposal that will invigorate our economy and job market. The national unemployment rate is unacceptable. In spite of Congressman Markey's concerns, I hope you realize that his opposition is not in the best interest of this country and that he is only being used as a tool by interest groups. Please continue your efforts in authorizing LNG exports.

It pains me to see how America is slowly turning into a socialist country, especially having served in the military for 20 years. The nation I fought to protect is unrecognizable to me now. Being in the National Guard, deployed to Vietnam for one year, then working as a counselor for Vietnam veterans, and finally working in a homeless shelter, I am always concerned about my fellow man. We are being sold out by this Administration. Consider how much importing we do, with very little emphasis on exportation. Soldiers are coming home from the Middle East and cannot find any work. A large percentage of the homeless people at the shelter I worked in were veterans. How can we allow this to happen to the men and women who so selflessly served our country? Natural gas drilling is currently done in Ypsilanti, Michigan, but an increase of production due to LNG exports would help us even more. Detroit is a little over 30 miles away, and that city is dying.

I hope the Department of Energy will stand behind their study and authorize LNG exports. By so doing, they will be helping struggling Americans in many ways. Our natural resources are a gift we must utilize to safeguard our nation and secure our survival. The opposition can no longer be allowed to threaten our democracy. Please agree to export LNG.

Best regards,


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