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Dr. Ernest Moniz
Secretary of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue Southwest
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Dear Secretary Moniz:

I am writing to express our support for the November 2013 application by Emera CNG, LLC to export Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) from a new facility to be built at the Port of Palm Beach in Florida.

The project involves the export of a small amount of natural gas – but will create major benefits in both Florida and The Bahamas.

It requires new construction activity and permanent operation of a compression and loading facility at the Port of Pam Beach so that CNG can be moved on trailers loaded onto a roll-on/roll-off ship - providing jobs, long-term economic benefits and a reliable customer for the Port.

CNG is a feasible solution for such a small market due to the availability of U.S.-based natural gas, the simplified loading and unloading requirements of CNG and the proven nature of CNG technology in the transportation sector.

Applications for exports of much higher gas volumes from the United States have already been approved. It is our understanding that this project will involve the export of less than 0.04% of projected dry gas production in the United States.

As well - exports of this type help improve America's balance of payments and enable positive economic activity and environmental transformation in The Bahamas through the substitution of clean burning natural gas for heavy fuel oil in electricity generation.

As the Port of Palm Beach prepares to celebrate its 100th anniversary this year, it is a time to both look back upon our past successes and look forward to the future. Emera CNG represents the kind of stable, long term tenant delivering an innovative solution to a modern problem that the Port of Palm Beach hopes will play an important part in its future success.

We urge the Department of Energy to approve the application by Emera CNG.

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