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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Common Sense Policy Roundtable, a Colorado based non-profit free-enterprise think tank dedicated to the protection and promotion of Colorado's economy, I urge you to support applications for LNG export. We believe the 2012 NERA Study contained very positive findings and concluded that natural gas exports would have significant benefits for the U.S. economy extending far beyond the natural gas industry.

As an energy producing state, exporting some of America's abundant natural gas to global markets is a major opportunity for Colorado and the United States as a whole. Exports would not only generate domestic investment and jobs, but would also attract capital from outside the U.S. to domestic energy infrastructure projects, particularly construction of the liquefaction facilities needed to convert gas into LNG.

The U.S. currently produces more natural gas than we need, and LNG exports would help improve our nation's balance of trade. Over the last 10 years, the U.S. has run an annual average trade deficit of over one-half trillion dollars (2011 US trade deficit -\$560 billion). NERA concludes, "the average annual increase in revenues from LNG exports ranges from about \$2.6 billion to almost \$32.9 billion". The additional gas production associated with exports would also generate billions of dollars annually in much needed federal and state government revenue.

Thank you for considering our comments.

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