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Gentlemen-

Please see Attached Letter of support for opening markets for export of natural gas LNG.

Thank You,

Mayor
Richard P. Vilello, Jr.
City of Lock Haven

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Richard P. Vilello, Jr
Mayor
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Re: LNG Export Study Comments

Dera Sirs-

As Mayor of Lock Haven, PA which is in the heart of the Marcellus natural gas play, I write to agree with and support the conclusions of the NERA LNG Export Study.

Our region and indeed the entire state of Pennsylvania is experiencing an economic resurgence since the exploration and production of Marcellus shale gas began several years ago. Natural gas has brought back jobs and economic development to areas long thought to have had their best days behind them.

The analysts at the US Energy Information Agency and right here at Penn State tell us we are looking at a 100 year or better supply of natural gas. That's good news for our country's energy needs and has also been good for Pennsylvania because it has made us a net exporter of gas to other states. A win, win.

However, this huge supply of gas also creates an issue that exports can mitigate, because if new markets for natural gas such as exports are not brought on line, drillers will likely scale back exploration and production. This would clearly be detrimental to the economic gains we've seen.

I agree with the NERA study's conclusion which states "LNG exports would be a net benefit under every cost scenario analyzed" and urge the DOE to move forward with the necessary approvals to make it happen for Pennsylvania and for the entire Country.

Respectfully
Richard P. Vilello, Jr.
Mayor City of Lock Haven,PA