From: Amie Goetsch
To: LNGStudy
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Attached you will find a letter from Anchorage Assembly Member Cheryl Frasca regarding the 2012 LNG export study that she has asked me to submit.

Thank you,

Amie Goetsch

February 22, 2013

The Honorable Steven Chu Secretary U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Ave., SW Washington, DC 20585

RE: 2012 LNG Export Study

Submitted to: LNGStudy@hq.doe.gov

Dear Secretary Chu:

I am writing as a member of the Municipality of Anchorage Assembly in support of comments submitted to you in a January 25, 2013 letter from U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski on the 2012 LNG Export Study.

As Senator Murkowski observed, the NERA study indicated that the export of LNG would yield real economic benefits to our national economy, and those benefits would increase as the volume of exports grew.

She also noted that granting export licenses for LNG projects would be in the "public interest" for this country, particularly when those exports would go to supply U.S. allies who face chronic LNG supply shortages.

The Senator's letter also highlights the fact that the global marketplace will determine how many LNG export projects move ahead, and that will restrict, over the long-term, how much LNG gets exported. Only projects backed by firm financial backing will come to fruition.

The licensing process is complex and lengthy, involving numerous federal agencies, but letting free markets work will ultimately create long-term benefits for the U.S. economy and for U.S. energy security.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Frasca

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Municipality of Anchorage Assembly