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re: Reply to DOE/NERA study comments of Combat Veteran Jay Ostrich, Lebanon, PA

I am a US Army veteran and have a daughter who proudly served in the Gulf War. As such, I have followed US policies related to national security. I write in support of prior comments on LNG exports provided by fellow veteran Jay Ostrich of Lebanon, PA. He correctly stated that we veterans, especially veterans of the conflicts in the Middle East, truly know the consequences of energy dependence, and we know that the large natural gas discoveries here in the US and PA can go a long way toward domestic energy security. Exploiting natural gas through providing new export markets can provide that security without the need for military force and loss of US blood and treasure.

However, this great new natural gas exploration and production could slow if new markets are not made available. LNG exports can fill that new market need.

I completely agree with Jay's conclusions on the NERA study's assertions of "net gain in economic benefits of LNG exports". Production of natural gas has clearly provided economic gain here in PA, and allowing these gas companies access to all markets will insure that these gains will sustain and continue to grow.

Finally, let me echo Jay's comments on job creation and returning veterans. Natural gas production has given employment hope to thousands of veterans whose unemployment rates are sadly, higher than the general population. We need this industry to grow and they need new markets to do so. As Mr. Ostrich suggests, please trust the NERA study's positive conclusions and view the LNG export applications favorably.

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