



Secretary Steven Chu
2012 LNG Export Study
U.S. Department of Energy (FE-34)
Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities
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Dear Secretary Chu,

Massachusetts Representative Ed Markey's opposition to the US Department of Energy's study on exporting liquefied natural gas is shortsighted. This could be a huge advance for our economy, so to try to halt or delay it is very ill-considered. **Congressman Markey** needs to remember whose best interests he was elected to represent.

My wife and I used to live in New York and I am familiar with the issues surrounding hydro-fracturing. The concerns seem unfounded. If we are not going to continue coal mining, I think liquefied natural gas is a wonderful alternative. We are also retired truck drivers who used to drive as a team. So I am very aware of the high cost of transporting goods. If we were to use liquefied natural gas instead of petroleum the cost of shipping could be much less expensive. Liquefied natural gas could also be used to generate electricity by eliminating the need for coal fire based and nuclear plants. Right now, we live in an all-electric home and it is far more expensive to use than natural gas. That can be a little tough on a retiree's budget.

It would be foolhardy not to take advantage of the opportunity to export liquefied natural gas. Our citizens need the jobs it could create. The potential of liquefied natural gas use in vehicles could lower the cost of transportation in America. There is every possibility this could be the answer to most our energy problems. Please disregard the naysayers and allow the exportation of liquefied natural gas.

Regards,

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Dear Secretary Chu-

All my life, I have lived around or worked with things that move other things. I grew up around trains and trucks because some of my relatives worked in those industries. When I think about it, I believe this background sparked my interest in America's energy development.

Before retiring seven years ago, I worked driving a truck for nearly forty-seven years. Over the years, I consumed a lot of fuel. It is aggravating to know that the US has been sitting on vast energy deposits and doing little to produce the fuel we require. Rather than continuing to be strictly an importing nation, we have the capacity and ability to expand our domestic energy production by drilling, fracking or using whatever method it takes to access our oil and gas resources. American needs the energy and the jobs and prosperity that will result.

The potential to produce, export, and profit from liquefied natural gas (LNG) is very promising. When naysayers like **Representative Markey** or the anti-fracking lobby draft letters requesting that LNG exporting be stopped, I have to wonder where their interests lie. Would a closer look at their financial records reveal that they have a vested financial interest in the profitability of Arab energy producers and companies which profit from the importation of fuel? It is without hesitation that I support the expanded production of domestic natural gas and ask that you give immediate approval for the export of LNG. America needs it.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Woodall".

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