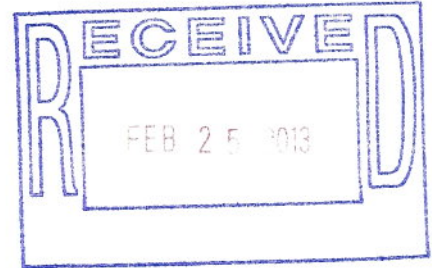


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Dear Secretary Chu-

The fact that the United States imports so much more than it exports plays a huge part in the financial problems we face today. Representative Ed Markey voiced his opposition to exporting liquefied natural gas (LNG) in his letter to you, but I believe most people agree with your study and support the plan to sell our excess LNG on the foreign market. Please stand by your department's study and move forward with the proposal that will greatly benefit our economy.

We need to do everything we can to create American jobs. Exporting our excess natural resources gives us the opportunity to do this, as well as generate revenue. The unemployment rate here in Wisconsin is about the same as the national average, and that is much too high. The auto industry and small engine companies are gone, mostly because of excessive taxes, regulations and high labor costs due to unionization. The dairy industry is still strong in our state. It would be great if we could bring some manufacturing jobs back to our area. Personally, I have been employed in the medical device sales industry for twelve years. Our citizens need more long-lasting work opportunities like mine.

I am fortunate to have natural gas available for use in my home. I use it for heating, cooking and hot water. It is efficient and economical. With the discovery of the shale gas in our country, we know we have enough for our use here and plenty of surplus that we can export. It makes sense to export LNG; it is an energy source that is much in demand. I urge you to approve the proposal to export LNG.

Thank you for your service,

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