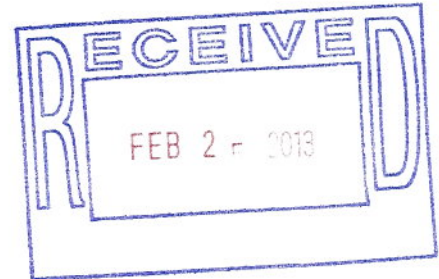


Secretary Steven Chu
2012 LNG Export Study
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Dear Secretary Chu:

The proposal to export liquefied natural gas is necessary to right America's current job situation. Our economy and trade deficit would also benefit greatly from exporting. Representative Markey's position on withholding the abundance of resources we have would serve to barricade a door that, if opened, would put this country back to work.

A strong work ethic is something I have instilled in my family, and I feel that more countrymen would be just as hard working if they had jobs available to them. For thirty-five years I was a firefighter in Wayne, Michigan. My son followed in my footsteps, and my grandson would like to as well but there are no openings. He currently holds two jobs because of this, and many others in this country are in the same position. We desperately need more career jobs in this area, as well as nationwide.

Two of my granddaughters will graduate from college in April; one with a degree in nursing and the other in communications. While they may be able to find jobs right out of college, for them to have careers more industry needs to be created. Please support this proposal to export our surplus LNG in order to open avenues for my family and other Americans in the same boat.

Thanks,

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