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To whom it may concern

I have grave reservations about the exportation of liquid natural gas.

The exportation of natural gas to other nations will reduce the energy efficiency of natural gas as energy is required to cool it into a liquid state for long distance transport. Further selling America's gas on an open international market will increase the demand, thereby also increasing the use of hydraulic fracturing, which has demonstrated threats to groundwater, soil quality, and air quality. The increased demand for natural gas will undermine efforts to require safer materials be used in the site injection brine. In a time of increasing water shortages, using millions of gallons of water in an injection brine solution that will pollute so badly that manning will never be able to use it again is simply shortsighted and dangerous.

Finally, selling American natural gas internationally will only serve to undermine our efforts toward energy independence, and increase our dependence on foreign oil, by reducing our natural fossil fuel reserves. This increased dependence on foreign oil will also force our nation into meddling in the affairs of sovereign nations in order to protect our national interests. As such, the exportation on liquid natural gas would squander a much needed transitional fuel for the US by allowing companies to siphon off our national resources, while polluting our landscape and exporting the real costs of such an enterprise onto the taxpayers in the loss of soldiers lives and spiraling national debt from international policing efforts.