

Barack Obama, President of the United States:

"The other big piece of this is that the transformation and energy could have a huge geopolitical consequence. The United States is going to be a net exporter of energy because of new technologies and what we're doing with natural gas and oil."



Bipartisan Letter from 110 Members of the U.S. Congress to Steven Chu, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Energy:

"In the wake of the DOE report and the realities of today's natural gas market, we believe now is the time to expand domestic exportation of LNG. We respectfully urge the Administration to advance without delay through the comment period and toward approval of export permits to non-Free Trade Agreement (FTA) countries."

Brookings Institution:

"LNG exports are likely to be a net benefit to the U.S. economy."

Brad Karbowsky, United Association of Plumbers, Fitters and HVAC Techs:

"LNG facility construction will employ thousands of my brothers and sisters in the labor movement for many years to come as well as provide opportunities for new apprentices."

National Association of Manufacturers:

"Proposals that seek to limit LNG or coal or any other product would have far-reaching negative effects on the United States and should be rejected. Such restrictions limit economic opportunities and stifle job growth rather than provide a source of increased economic growth."

Raymond J. Keating, Chief Economist, Small Business and Entrepreneurship Council:

"Quite simply, the effort to limit LNG exports is an effort to limit opportunity for American small businesses and entrepreneurs."

Bill Richardson and Spencer Abraham, former Secretaries of the U.S. Department of Energy:

"We believe, however, that LNG exports can buttress US geopolitical leadership and trade, while at the same time continuing to support low domestic natural gas prices and a renaissance in domestic manufacturing. In addition LNG exports offer the potential for lower global carbon emissions."

Earl Ray Tomblin (D), Governor of West Virginia:

"The construction and operation of LNG export terminals and increased exploration and production activity will support thousands, if not many times that, of jobs and billions in investment at a time when such a free-market stimulus is so desperately needed."

Ed Rendell (D), former Governor of Pennsylvania:

"Our nation's progress toward greater energy security is highly depending on strengthening our infrastructure, and we should welcome the additional capital for these projects that LNG exports could provide."



Margo Thorning, Chief Economist, American Council for Capital Formation:

"From corn to cars to wheat, exports have proven to be a net positive boost for the U.S. economy and LNG exports shouldn't be treated differently."

Michael Levi, Senior Fellow for Energy and the Environment, Council on Foreign Relations:

"A decision to constrain natural-gas exports could have dangerous reverberations for American trade."

New York Times, Editorial:

"Exporting natural gas is a controversial issue, with powerful forces on both sides. But we are persuaded by the report's core finding that the benefits of selling gas to other countries would more than offset the modestly negative impact of higher prices for domestic users of the fuel!"



Washington Post, Editorial:

"It would be particularly perverse for the Obama administration, which has made an explicit commitment to increasing the nation's exports, to preserve restrictions on natural gas exports."