



January 26, 2015

Hon. Fred Upton, Chairman
Hon. Bill Johnson, Member
Committee on Energy and Commerce
2125 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Gentlemen:

I write to support the swift passage of the *LNG Permitting and Transparency Act*, H.R. 351, and to thank Mr. Johnson for introducing it. This bill would respond to the urgent need to expand the exports of liquefied natural gas (LNG) for the benefit of the American worker in the current difficult economy and for our friends in Europe and elsewhere who are at the mercy of Russia and Iran for their energy.

The *LNG Permitting and Transparency Act*, H.R. 351, would eliminate bureaucratic delays in the approval of new LNG export terminals by requiring the Department of Energy to issue a final decision within 30 days of the conclusion of the environmental review required by the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

America's plentiful natural gas, developed and undeveloped, can be a boon to the U.S. economy and it can help our allies and developing nations gain access to economical energy, giving them an alternative to supplies from Russia and Iran.

Studies and reports from the Department of Energy, the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, and others have found that there is great interest in the world in American natural gas. Now is the time to take this simple step to create more American jobs and strengthen our national security.

Let Freedom Ring supports the enactment of the *LNG Permitting and Transparency Act*, H.R. 351.

Sincerely,

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President
Let Freedom Ring