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Dear Secretary Granholm:

I write today in support of Lake Charles Exports, LLC's new application for long-term authorization to export LNG to non-Free Trade Agreement countries, and request expedited consideration, from the existing Lake Charles Terminal.

I am told that this project will have a significant positive impact on job creation and economic output for the state of Louisiana over the multiple-year construction period. It is my understanding that there will be nearly three thousand estimated construction jobs during peak construction and billions of dollars of overall construction expenditures. Once completed, I have been advised that the project will generate hundreds of high-quality jobs related to LNG operations, tug operations, and ancillary services for the region. The export of LNG from the existing Lake Charles Terminal will provide a much-needed boost to Louisiana's local and regional economy through resource development, an enhanced tax base, direct and indirect job creation, and economic activity.

Given that the Lake Charles LNG export facility will utilize significant existing infrastructure at the Lake Charles Terminal, I have been made aware that the environmental impacts from the construction of the export facility will be limited. I am pleased to learn that the Department of Energy and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission have already completed an extensive environmental review.

It is my top priority to ensure that Louisiana communities have support for economic development opportunities through our federal partners, like the Department of Energy. This application for a long-term agreement is an excellent example of creating jobs while increasing Louisiana's capacity for exporting energy. I request you give this application full consideration, consistent with applicable rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me through my Grants and Special Projects Director Rachel Milam, at Rachel.Milam@mail.house.gov, if I can further assist you in this matter.

Sincerely,

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