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Good Morning

We will be placing your comments below in consumer correspondence in Docket No. 20260000, and forwarding them to the Office of Consumer Assistance.

Thank you,
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TO: State of FL Reps!!!

- Why is FL still building CCP Solar Farms?????????????????

FYI: *Political choices matter!!!!!!!!!!!!!!* Trump Right AGAIN!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Doing the opposite of "Plugs"!!!! Marxist/Dems what Plugs Politicizes back!!!!!!!!!!!!!! 😊🤔

- *Frack baby frack, build export terminals, ship us **US** LNG, keeps prices, energy stable!!!!!!*
- *So much US LNG prices dropped last year to **all time LOW**, after "**Epic Fury prices remain at 2017 level!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**" 📉👍*
- *Marxist/Dem NE Gov, refuse to Frack or build LNG pipe lines, prices there **HURTING CONSUMERS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*** 😊🤔
- *America worlds largest exporter LNG surpassing Russia, supply 1/2 EU consumption!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*

PS:
US product of LNG keeping world safer, hurting bad actors, Who use LNG as a weapon!!!!!!!!!! US exports supply's EU as much LNG as Russia did before Ukraine war!!!!!!!!!! Trump responsible 45/47 establishing LNG as global Stabilizer, tool of peace!!!!!!!!!!

- Fossil Fuels remain stable life BLOOD of Freedom/Capitalism!! 🤔👉👈🇺🇸
- ? FL continues to plant thousands of Sq Miles CCP solar panels an battery back up, instead of building Pipe lines uses abundant LNG???????????? 🤔🤔🤔

Summary:
The U.S. has become the world's top LNG exporter, surpassing Australia, Qatar, and Russia. This success, driven by the shale fracking boom, has helped stabilize global prices, especially for Europe, and weakened Russia's economy. Despite these benefits, some progressives oppose LNG exports, blaming them for rising domestic gas prices, though the reality is more complex.

U.S. LNG Exports to the Rescue

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Qatar shut down its natural gas export production on Monday after a drone attack from Iran. Global prices for liquefied natural gas shot up as a result, but not nearly as much as they might have thanks to America's

LNG export boom over the last decade. This is a success that deserves more publicity, especially since the progressive left wants to shut it down.

For decades the U.S. was a net importer of natural gas. But the *boom in shale fracking that began in the mid-2000s unleashed cheap and abundant natural gas*. Cheniere Energy took the risk of converting what had been an LNG import facility into an export platform in 2016. The first exports from the lower 48 states began to flow in February of that year. More companies have followed, which has spurred more natural gas production.

The U.S. now boasts eight LNG export terminals, which ship roughly 15 billion cubic feet a day. That's enough gas to heat 80 million homes during winter. America has surpassed Australia, Qatar and Russia to become the world's top LNG exporter. The nearby chart tracks the remarkable boom.

In 2024 the *Biden Administration sought to appease its climate left with an LNG export permitting pause that created uncertainty and slowed development in new projects*. But President Trump lifted the pause upon

retaking the White House. His *Energy Department is rapidly approving new terminals and expansions, including one last week in Corpus Christi*.

U.S. LNG exports surged nearly 40% last year, and capacity is projected to double by 2031, per the Energy Information Administration.

U.S. LNG exports now total about \$150 million in sales a day, providing a major economic boost that has benefited businesses across the U.S. supply chain. They have also helped Europe wean itself from Russian gas after Vladimir Putin's invasion of Ukraine in early 2022. Europe's share of U.S. LNG exports have doubled to 68% since the war began.

The U.S. now exports about as much gas to Europe as Russia did before the war. Increasing exports have helped ease global prices, which spiked when that war began. Lower prices have in turn given European leaders political running room to toughen sanctions on Russia and have hurt Mr. Putin's war machine. Russian oil and gas revenues last year fell to the lowest levels since 2020 when prices plunged during the pandemic. Sales have fallen by half during the first two months of this year compared to last year amid tougher sanctions enforcement, reduced gas exports and lower prices. All of this is squeezing Russia's economy and budget, about 40% which funds its military.

U.S. exports are now poised to mitigate supply disruptions caused by the war with Iran. About 20% of the world's LNG transits through the Strait of Hormuz, much of that from Qatar. American exports have reduced Europe's vulnerability to Middle East supply shocks.

Yet despite these economic and strategic benefits, progressives continue to oppose U.S. LNG exports. *Ten Democratic Senators last week wrote to Energy Secretary Chris Wright calling for a halt to LNG exports, which they blame for a 55% increase in U.S. natural gas prices last year.* "The Trump Administration's LNG export policies are not putting America first: they have jacked up utility prices for families, leaving many Americans struggling with the cost of heating their homes this winter," the Democrats wrote. *The reality is that prices rose last year from a near-record low in 2024. Prices last week averaged \$3.13 per million BTU—about the same as in 2017—and have generally ranged between \$2 and \$3 per million BTU over the last decade, aside from a spike in 2022 when the Ukraine war disrupted global supply. U.S. gas production has since increased by 20%, which has curbed prices while feeding increased exports.*

Nine of the 10 letter signers notably hail from the Northeast, where gas prices are higher during the winter because of shortages caused by constraints on natural gas pipelines. The culprit isn't LNG exports. It's the *anti-fossil fuel policies of Democratic Governors who have blocked pipelines that could transport cheap gas from Appalachia's shale deposits to the Northeast.*

Limiting LNG exports won't reduce domestic energy prices, though it could suppress natural gas production, which is what the left really wants. *American LNG is riding to the rescue of the world economy today, and it's another example of why political choices matter.*