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To Whom It May Concern,

I have just been made aware of a 4:30 PM deadline today for comments about FE Docket No. 14-179-LNG. I am opposed to this proposal for many reasons and I would like to list a few concerns that I and many of my neighbors have.

Exporting LNG will not benefit any residents of our area and will, I believe increase the cost of LNG to users within the United States.

Gas prices are largely based on the market. Because natural gas sells for 3 to 4 times as much in foreign markets, this will then increase the price of the gas in this same pipeline for the residents of the United States.

Larger demand for exported gas will lower the supply available for domestic use which will also drive up costs and weaken the American economy

Natural gas (methane) is a greenhouse gas which is 86 times more potent than CO<sub>2</sub> in destroying the ozone layer. While natural gas is trying to be "sold" as a more green energy, the gas company hides this fact.

Having such a distribution facility increases the risk of terrorism within our country. (As a former resident of Everett, MA, where this fact was brought out several years ago and I believe the risk is greater now)

Expanding this form of energy production pushes back the time and economics of "clean energy"

For this reason, I think this project is all about corporate profits and shareholders, and not at all for the people of the United States.

It also seems very underhanded that this comment period was not properly announced to let all other affected parties enough time to comment. I therefore also strongly urge you to extend this comment period, so our citizens are allowed to speak, it is not fair the way this is being handled.

I wish I had more time to expand the above but I hope you consider my comments as it is really time to look at producing energy that will not harm us in both the short and long term.

Lastly, I would like to address my concerns about gasoline companies who are citing "eminent domain" when taking easements through private property from land owners

and citizens for export gas pipelines. This is not what James Madison author of the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution, intended eminent domain to be used for. Here is an excerpt from "Eminent Domain" found in the Constitution paragraph on Wikipedia;

"James Madison, who wrote the [Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution](#), had a more moderate view, and struck a compromise that sought to at least protect property rights somewhat by explicitly mandating compensation and using the term "public use" rather than "public purpose," "public interest", or "public benefit".<sup>[5]</sup>

The Fifth Amendment imposes limitations on the exercise of eminent domain: the taking must be for **public use** and just compensation must be paid. "

Export gas pipelines are not public use. Taking easements for export pipelines in my opinion violates our Fifth Amendment!

Sincerely,

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