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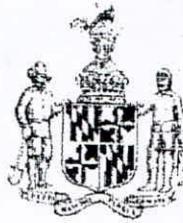
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Sheila McDonald, Esq.  
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Dear Ms. McDonald,

I urge you to support the application to export natural gas from Cove Point. This project will increase U.S. influence around the world at the same time it helps our state's economy. Maryland needs the Cove Point LNG project, and I hope you will approve it.

The Cove Point LNG facility would be a big economic stimulus to southern Maryland. Its construction will support 3,500 local jobs. Once this facility is operating, Charles County will see \$40 million in new revenue.

Not only would Maryland benefit from Cove Point being approved to export LNG, so would our nation and our world. With more U.S. natural gas being exported, it would reduce the power of unfriendly nations to use energy resources as a weapon and help make the United States a world energy superpower.

By increasing demand for U.S. natural gas, this facility would also help the American economy. This increased demand will spur further investment in natural gas production, leading to more employment in the energy sector. These good-paying jobs are what our economy desperately needs right now. For these reasons, I hope you will support the Cove Point LNG export facility. It's good for Maryland, it's good for the U.S., and it's good for the world.

Sincerely,

James "Ed" DeGrange, Sr.  
State Senator, District 32

cc: Governor Martin O'Malley  
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