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The Honorable Ernest Moniz
Secretary
United States Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Secretary Moniz:

On behalf of the nearly 3 million skilled craft professionals who comprise the 13 national and international unions of the Building and Construction Trades Department, AFL-CIO, I write to both congratulate you on your recent confirmation as the new Secretary of the US Department of Energy, and to formally request the opportunity to meet with you for the purpose of discussing the issuance of licenses that would allow construction to being on the Jordan Cove and Cove Point liquefied natural gas export terminals.

The owners of both ventures have given their commitment to construct these multi-billion dollar projects under the auspices of a project labor agreement (PLA); which will not only ensure that both projects are delivered "on time and on budget" by the safest, most highly skilled and productive workforce found anywhere on the globe, but will also increase the value of the project to the local community.

Both projects will generate substantial revenues for local and state governments during their first few years of operation. The utilization of a PLA for both of these projects will also facilitate the creation of solid career training opportunities for residents within the vicinity of the project site. The same can be said for many of the other proposed LNG export facilities in addition to Jordan Cove and Cove Point that are seeking approval from the Department of Energy.

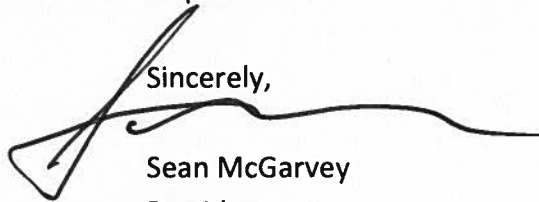
In fact, our unions are currently tracking, and seeking project agreements, for billions and billions of dollars of capital investments that are being planned along the West Coast, East Coast and Gulf Coast regions, and which are the direct result of America's continuing domestic energy boom.

Projects like the Jordan Cove and Cove Point represent intrinsic economic worth for our nation, including and especially the net positive impact they will have on a U.S. construction industry that has been mired in a depression for the last five years.

I look forward to the opportunity to personally meet with you and to present the views of America's Building Trades Unions as they apply to the Jordan Cove and Cove Point LNG export facilities.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sean McGarvey', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sean McGarvey
President

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