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The Honorable Ernest Moniz Secretary U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Secretary Moniz:

I am writing to ask that you approve Jordan Cove's application to export liquefied natural gas (LNG) to non-FTA countries.

Our local, based in Spokane and covering Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, was recently forced to take over Local 500 in Portland and we now represent an additional 200 members living throughout the State of Oregon. This merger was necessitated by the closure of several sawmills, pulp and paper mills and other industrial complexes throughout Oregon, as well as the looming closure of the coal-fired boiler in Boardman.

Jordan Cove will not only put our members to work but will create 3,000 construction jobs at its peak and employ an average of 1,750 people for 42 months. This project would bring nearly four years of job security to the men and women that would build the facility, something that is rare in the construction industry and almost unheard of in Oregon. Not only that, construction on Jordan Cove project would begin around the same time that work on the Intel Corporation construction project is wrapping up. The Intel project has been propping up the Oregon construction industry and its' completion will lead to massive layoffs that could be mitigated by the Jordan Cove Energy Project. This \$7.7 billion construction project would also be a much needed boom to the Coos Bay economy.

The strategic importance of Jordan Cove, given its proximity to Asian markets, should not be overlooked either. In fact, while Jordan Cove is approximately 9 shipping days to Asia, projects in the Gulf of Mexico are 22 shipping days from Asia through the Panama Canal. This would require twice the number of vessels, twice the amount of fuel to be consumed and add an additional \$2 billion to the cost.

Simply put, the Jordan Cove project will be a much needed boost for the entire construction industry of Oregon and we ask for your support in approving the Jordan Cove Project.

Sincerely,

Fred W. Rumsey Vice President

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