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**MEMORANDUM**

April 15, 2024

**To: Members, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs**

**From: Committee Staff**

**Re: Hearing titled “Oversight of the Biden Administration’s Pause on Liquefied Natural Gas Exports”**

On **Thursday, April 18, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. ET in 2154 Rayburn House Office Building**, the Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs will host a hearing titled “Oversight of the Biden Administration’s Pause on Liquefied Natural Gas Exports.”

**I. BACKGROUND:**

On January 26, 2024, the Biden Administration announced a “pause” of new permits for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) exports to non-Free Trade Agreement countries.

**II. HEARING PURPOSE:**

This hearing will examine all aspects of the pause on new permits of LNG to non-Free Trade Agreement countries, which affects American companies’ ability to secure necessary permits, construction, and capitalization of new LNG projects.

**III. WITNESS:**

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