



Congressional Energy Export Caucus

Reps. Miller, Cuellar, Arrington, Correa Launch Bipartisan Congressional Energy Export Caucus

Promoting American Energy Trade Leadership

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Reps. Carol Miller (R-WV), Henry Cuellar (D-TX), Jodey Arrington (R-TX), and Lou Correa (D-CA) joined today to launch the bipartisan Congressional Energy Export Caucus. As global trade realigns following the COVID-19 pandemic, U.S. energy is a key component to strengthen existing relationships with our allies and foster new partnerships in emerging markets.

By promoting realistic, responsible, sustainable, and cost-effective solutions and legislation, the Congressional Energy Export Caucus will reestablish U.S. leadership with a pro-energy trade agenda that creates jobs, rebuilds the economy, modernizes American energy infrastructure, strengthens U.S. security, and maintains global trade competitiveness.

As a net energy exporter, the United States must continue to utilize its abundant natural resources and innovative energy technology to help our allies' power their grids and support efforts of developing nations to create modern responsible energy projects, increase capacity, decrease poverty, and meet their carbon goals. As the world turns back on, the United States will power it.

"It is crucial that we work to reestablish United States leadership on trade, and specifically energy trade, as we navigate a post-pandemic world," **said Congresswoman Miller.** "American energy is a significant competitive advantage that we must embrace, and the Congressional Energy Export Caucus will champion the growth of American energy exports with our allies and into the developing world. This work will create new jobs, build up our infrastructure, and solidify our national security. I look forward to working with Congressmen Cuellar, Arrington, and Correa to advance our shared goals."

"The United States is an energy powerhouse, poised to become a key trailblazer in global markets. However, we must create consistent and cohesive policies on energy exports to ensure our country's future prosperity," **said Congressman Cuellar.** "I was proud to lead the efforts to lift the oil export ban and I am once again proud to stand alongside my colleagues to create the Energy Export Caucus to bring bipartisan,

sustainable, and affordable solutions that will boost economic growth, increase wages and employment, expand trade, and strengthen our national security. I look forward to working with Representatives Miller, Correa, and Arrington on this initiative.”

“By unleashing the full potential and power of American enterprise, through free market pro-energy policies, our nation became a net exporter of oil and natural gas last year, creating record jobs for our country,” **explained Congressman Arrington.** “As the world’s largest oil and gas production center, West Texas energy producers have lead the way in fueling our economy and strengthening our national security through energy independence. I am proud to help establish the Congressional Energy Export Caucus, a forum for bipartisan legislative leadership to advance our country’s future prosperity and security through sound energy policy.”

Congressman Lou Correa said, "America’s National Security depends on our energy independence. Our work in the Energy Export Caucus will help American innovators share their technologies with the world. Better and cleaner energy is just around the corner. A green and sustainable future depends on American leadership and technological development. Together, Congress can support and invest in our green future while ensuring American leadership and energy independence.”

Here’s What They Are Saying ...

Washington D.C.

“Exporting U.S. energy is a win-win-win policy proposition – for America’s energy workers, for the global environment, and for other countries seeking stable energy supplies. Our abundant supply of oil and natural gas, innovative solutions, and leading technology enables the U.S. to produce clean and affordable energy for America and the world, and exporting these products will allow other countries to achieve the economic growth and emissions reductions that the U.S. has achieved over the last decade. The bipartisan Energy Export Caucus will help U.S. oil and natural gas producers secure a share in growing energy markets around the world, and we appreciate their leadership on this important issue,” **said Anne Bradbury, CEO of the American Exploration and Production Council.**

"LNG Allies, The US LNG Association, is pleased to welcome and support the Congressional Energy Export Caucus, a bipartisan membership organization of the U.S. House of Representatives," **said Fred H. Hutchison, President & CEO of LNG Allies.** "Energy exports from the United States in general and liquefied natural gas (LNG) exports in particular enjoy broad public and political support. US energy exports not only support hundreds of thousands of jobs here in America, but bring economic, environmental, and geostrategic benefits to our trading partners around the globe. We look forward to working closely with the co-chairs and members of this important new caucus in the months and years ahead."

“We are encouraged by the bipartisan efforts to launch the Congressional Energy Export Caucus, and applaud their mission to encourage American energy exports and further trade relationships with

emerging markets. America's natural gas revolution, coupled with innovations from the natural gas and oil industry, have helped to reduce CO2 emissions to generational lows while bolstering national security. We look forward to working with this bipartisan group of legislators to further U.S. energy security and trade competitiveness, while also reducing global emissions." **said American Petroleum Institute Director of Market Development, Dustin Meyer.**

"Whether it is oil and gas development in the Gulf of Mexico, wind projects in the Atlantic, or energy production elsewhere in the U.S., American energy strengthens American leadership," **said National Ocean Industries Association (NOIA) President Erik Milito.** "U.S. global leadership through energy exports helps drive American energy production, and American energy production safely drives jobs, economic growth, national security, environmental conservation, and countless other benefits that impact every American. NOIA applauds the Congressional Energy Export Caucus for supporting what benefits all Americans and should be a bipartisan priority."

West Virginia

"We fully embrace Congresswoman Miller and her colleagues effort to increase energy and coal exports to foreign destinations to assist in powering their economies and build out their infrastructure," **said Chris Hamilton, Senior Vice President, West Virginia Coal Association, and Chairman, West Virginia Business and Industry Council.** "With West Virginia coal accounting for over 40% of all US coal exports, West Virginia coal along with the entire state will benefit from this program."

Charlie Burd, Executive Director of the Independent Oil and Gas Association of West Virginia said, "In view of the prolific production of natural gas in the Appalachian Basin and the capacity to grow the volume of natural gas produced as a means for our nation and the producing states to sustain and grow the jobs and economic benefit the industry provides, there has to be expanded market outlets for our natural gas. What Congresswoman Miller is proposing not only addresses that objective, it strategically aligns the oil and natural gas industry in America with the purpose of national security and American trade competitiveness." **Burd went on to say,** "A strategically organized effort to capitalize on the private investor dollar in oil and natural gas drilling for the benefit of the United States in the global economy is long overdue. The U.S. oil and natural gas industry has not realized its full potential as an economic force for America. Natural gas producers in West Virginia truly appreciate this effort by Congresswoman Miller to make that happen and are proud to support it."

Texas

"One of the most prophetic decisions to come out of Washington D.C. in a generation has been to remove outdated bans on exporting energy to American allies overseas," **said Ben Shepperd, President, Permian Basin Petroleum Association.** "A robust system of exports for oil and gas produced in the Permian Basin is vital to domestic and international energy security and the announcement of the Congressional Energy Export Caucus is a continuance of a free market policy that creates jobs in America and opportunities abroad. We greatly appreciate Congressman Jodey Arrington's continued leadership in the United States

Congress and for establishing this bipartisan effort to further support energy producers in the Permian Basin of Texas, New Mexico, and all across America.”

“Texas oil and gas producers applaud the formation of the Energy Export Caucus in the House that will work to expand markets for American energy,” **said Cye Wagner, Chairman of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers and head of her family’s independent petroleum operation Cooper Oil and Gas, based in Fort Worth, Texas.** “American operators have led the charge to produce abundant, affordable oil and natural gas while lowering emissions and boosting our economy.”

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