

Dear Chamber Members,

A colleague from the Chamber in Hobbs, NM, has developed an online petition (at [WeThePeople.org](http://WeThePeople.org)) - advocating the removal of the ban on crude oil exports.

<https://petitions.whitehouse.gov/.../lift-ban-us-crude-oil-ex...>

The oil & gas industry is a key driver of our local economy. Lifting the ban is an important step for the long-term success of this industry. Therefore, we are asking all local business owners, their employees and citizens of our community to make your voice heard on this important issue.

The petition contains the following links with more information:

Center on Global Energy Policy report (<http://energypolicy.columbia.edu/.../navigating-us-oil-export...>)

Baker Institute report (<http://bakerinstitute.org/.../lift-or-not-lift-us-crude-oil-.../>)

The Economist (<http://www.economist.com/.../21642179-exports-hydrocarbons-am...>)

Sincerely,

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