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Dr. Markus Krebber
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Dear Dr. Krebber:

We write to you as advocates from across the United States of America, including from communities on the frontlines of fossil gas infrastructure. We were alarmed to learn that RWE was contemplating a deal with the Trump Administration to abandon its offshore wind leases, especially at a time when international conflict is making oil and gas prices incredibly volatile. Any attempt to trade renewable for fossil fuel investments represents a reckless expansion of dirty energy subsidies.

The Trump Administration is actively bullying the holders of U.S. offshore wind leases. These tactics are creating unnecessary uncertainty for clean energy investors, setting a dangerous precedent and locking the U.S. and its allies into continued reliance on fossil fuels. Nearly \$2 billion in refunds have already been demanded from offshore wind developers¹. The Trump Administration is egregiously demanding that these funds be reinvested into U.S. fossil fuel projects—including Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) export terminals that harm international climate goals, local communities, and ultimately U.S.² and European³ ratepayers who will bear higher energy prices.

There is no basis under U.S. law for the Trump Administration's vendetta against offshore wind. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) has no legal authority to refund lawfully purchased leases. The two already announced offshore wind cancellations may soon find themselves in court. If RWE and other renewable energy developers are thinking long term and attempting to avoid uncertainty, they should avoid making deals with the Trump Administration to shut down a cheap, clean form of energy that can withstand international shocks.

RWE has also already signed long term contracts for deliveries from Port Arthur LNG and Glenfarne's Texas LNG. These deals directly go against RWE's stated climate commitments⁴,

¹ Reuters, [US to end more offshore wind leases in exchange for fossil fuel investments](#), 2026

² Institute for Energy Economics & Financial Analysis, [LNG exports and U.S. power price](#), 2025

³ Institute for Energy Economics & Financial Analysis, [EU risks new energy dependence as US could supply 80% of its LNG imports by 2030](#), 2026

⁴ RWE, [Science Based Targets initiative confirms that RWE's emission reduction targets are in line with a 1.5-degree pathway](#), 2025

totaling 3.25 metric tonnes per annum (MTPA) in pledged LNG over the coming decades^{5,6}, and will serve to only harm frontline communities across the globe⁷. Port Arthur LNG and Texas LNG carry significant environmental justice impacts. These cumulative impacts of multiple industries and overall environmental injustices have not been fully assessed by the permitting authorities of the U.S. government, including major deficiencies and inadequate analysis on environmental justice impacts by the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)⁸. The proposed Texas LNG, if built, could endanger a sacred burial and historic village site of importance to the Carrizo/Comecrudo Tribe of Texas. The Tribe has not provided their consent to the development of the Texas LNG project⁹.

Even more reckless investments have been made across the Atlantic with RWE's commitments to the LNG import site of Brunsbüttel. Ignoring that offshore wind is cheaper and more reliable than LNG poses a very real financial risk for your company and shareholders.

We urge RWE not to cut deals with a regime that has no respect for either legal norms or climate reality. The Trump administration will not last forever. Submitting to its fossil fuel whims sets a dangerous precedent and exposes RWE to serious reputational risk.

Thank you for your consideration,

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⁵ RWE, Supply agreement announcement with Sempra, <https://www.rwe.com/en/press/rwe-supply-and-trading/2022-12-28-rwest-and-sempra-infrastructure-sign-s-supply-contract/>

⁶ RWE Supply agreement announcement with Glenfare, <https://www.rwe.com/en/press/rwe-supply-and-trading/2026-01-15-rwe-and-glenfarne-sign-20-year-supply-agreement-for-liquefied-natural-gas-from-the-us/>

⁷ Greenpeace USA, [Potential health and economic impacts from U.S. LNG export terminal permitted emissions](#), 2024

⁸ Robert D. Bullard Center for Environmental and Climate Justice, [Liquefying the Gulf Coast: A Cumulative Impact Assessment of LNG Buildout in Louisiana and Texas](#), 2024

⁹ Inside Climate News, [Indigenous Leaders in Texas Target Global Banks to Keep LNG Export Off of Sacred Land at the Port of Brownsville](#), 2022

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