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March 14, 2016

Governor Haley:

I am a resident of Cherry Grove Beach, and I am strongly opposed to Offshore Oil & Gas Development and Seismic Testing. I urge you to consider the facts listed below, and review other public information which I will gladly provide, before you take a position on this important matter.

The US is currently the world's largest producer of natural gas, due to the development of the shale revolution.

It has been approved for the US to export crude oil, as a result of being the world's largest producer of oil.

Currently, the US oil supply is such that congress has authorized the sale of oil from the US Petroleum Reserve. Apparently, there is no sincere concern of the US being dependent on foreign oil and gas.

When you consider the fact that **NO** US coastal community has benefited economically from oil exploration off their coast, we, who reside along the coast of South Carolina feel no need to risk our current economy for the questionable benefits of oil and gas exploration. I have data to support my opposition to off shore exploration of oil and gas.

Thank you for any consideration of the above statements.

Please feel free to contact me if you desire more information.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David R. Smith', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

David R. Smith