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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Strong opposition Docket No. 18-70-LNG "Saguaro Energía" in Puerto Libertad, Sonora

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To whom it may concern:

I hereby express my strong opposition to the project to build the natural gas liquefaction terminal (known as Saguaro Energía or the "Saguaro Project") in Puerto Libertad, Sonora. This initiative poses a serious and multifaceted threat to the Gulf of California – one of the richest and most valuable marine ecosystems on the planet – and to the communities that depend on it.

The reasons are compelling:

Damage to the "Aquarium of the World" ecosystem: The Gulf of California is home to extraordinary biodiversity, from whales and cetaceans to endemic species essential for ecological health. The increase in methane tanker traffic, as well as the noise and emissions generated by the project, represent a direct risk of collisions and alterations in reproduction and migration patterns.

Significant climate impact: Natural gas liquefaction, high-volume shipping, and potential methane leaks will exacerbate the climate crisis. Although touted as a more efficient route to Asia, the logistical benefit does not outweigh the environmental costs.

Effects on indigenous and fishing communities: Puerto Libertad is a fishing community whose livelihood and daily life will depend on the health of the marine ecosystem. This megaproject could radically alter their environment and livelihoods.

Recognized legal and social risks: The project faces litigation in Mexican courts and growing social rejection. Opposition from NGOs, community groups and pressure from potential investors are clear warning signs.

Extension of deadlines and emphasis on exports to Asia: Mexico Pacific Limited submitted on June 18, 2025 an application to extend until December 14, 2032 the deadline to begin LNG export operations, originally set for December 2025. This reflects that the project persists despite environmental, legal and social obstacles.

I respectfully request that this agency consider with the utmost urgency the weight of these concerns and add its voice to the growing citizen opposition. The more emails and pronouncements arrive, the greater the structural pressure to stop this irreversible environmental threat.

Kind regards	
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