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General Comment

I urge regulatory agencies and decision-makers to reconsider the approval and advancement of the Saguaro LNG pipeline and export terminal proposed by Mexico Pacific. This project spanning roughly 800 kilometers from Texas to Puerto Libertad, Sonora—poses significant long-term risks to Mexico's environment, communities, and economy, all to serve the short-term interests of foreign energy markets.

At the heart of this proposal lies a troubling pattern: multinational corporations leveraging cross-border infrastructure to secure profits, while the ecological and social costs are absorbed by local populations. Projects like these raise an uncomfortable question: are we allowing Mexico to be treated as a resource corridor for the benefit of the United States and China, at the expense of its own people and natural heritage?

The planned export terminal near the Gulf of California—one of the most biodiverse marine regions in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage Site—threatens to severely disrupt fragile ecosystems. Massive LNG tankers, some exceeding 300 meters in length, will introduce unprecedented maritime traffic, increasing the likelihood of collisions with marine mammals and amplifying underwater noise pollution. These effects could have devastating impacts on species such as whales, dolphins, and the critically endangered vaquita marina.

Beyond environmental consequences, the economic and cultural livelihoods of entire communities are at stake. In states like Sonora, Baja California, and Sinaloa, tourism and artisanal fishing aren't just economic drivers—they are integral to regional identity and survival. Whale watching, coastal tourism, and fisheries contribute substantially to local and national income. The Saguaro project directly jeopardizes these sectors by degrading the very natural assets they rely on.

In the face of the climate crisis and a global push toward renewable energy, doubling down on fossil fuel infrastructure is not only shortsighted it is irresponsible. Instead of locking communities into decades of environmental degradation and economic vulnerability, we should be investing in resilient, sustainable alternatives that protect ecosystems and empower people.

The future of Mexico should not be dictated by the agendas of extractive industries. We have a duty to ensure that development aligns with long-term ecological and social well-being not just corporate timelines.