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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Safeguard American Interests: Reject Saguaro LNG Extension
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Dear U.S. Department of Energy,

I urge you to reject the proposed seven-year extension for the Saguaro LNG export facility. This project poses significant threats to our national interests and energy security.

****Impact on U.S. Economy:****

- Exporting LNG to Asian markets diverts American gas production away from domestic consumers and industries.
- It competes with established U.S. Gulf Coast LNG facilities, negatively impacting our energy infrastructure investments.
- The project depletes the Permian Basin's natural gas, transferring American energy riches abroad.

****Risks to Energy Security:****

- Prioritizing exports from Mexican terminals over U.S. energy independence undermines our strategic autonomy.
- Allocating Permian gas to Asia reduces available domestic supply and strengthens global competitors.

****Legal Challenges in Mexico:****

- ASEA granted permit modifications without necessary environmental assessments.
- A Mexican federal court has suspended the project activities, with ongoing legal disputes questioning the permit's legitimacy.
- SEMARNAT confirmed a lack of environmental authorization for this project under the current administration.

****Recommendation:****

Deny the extension, as the project lacks a legitimate basis. Approving it would misallocate U.S. resources and undermine our strategic interests. Instead, focus on bolstering American LNG infrastructure on the Gulf Coast.

Sincerely,

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