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Dear Edgar W. García:

By this means, I request for the United States Corps of Engineers to deny permit no. SAJ-2010-02881 (IP-EWG) petitioned by the 'Autoridad de Energia Electrica' for the construction of the North Gasoduct (wrongly named 'Via Verde'). In addition, I ask for a transparent and open evaluation of this project through public hearings.

The proposed project threatens to damage zones of high ecological value and water production, such as aquifers, critical habitats for endangered species, and essential wetlands, while also putting at permanent risk over 100,000 people along the proposed geographical path of the Gasoduct. I value life and the good health of our natural resource and, thus, I am firmly AGAINST the Gas Pipeline.



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