

Ministero dell'Ambiente  
Direzione per la Salvaguardia Ambientale del Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Tutela del  
Territorio e del Mare - Divisione III  
Attenzione: Concessione d30 GR-NP e d29 GR-NP Northern Petroleum  
Via Cristoforo Colombo, 44 00147 - Roma

e p.c. : Ministero per i Beni e le Attività Culturali  
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Gentile rappresentante del Ministero dell'Ambiente  
Gentile rappresentante del Ministero delle Attività Produttive

I am writing to affirm my strong opposition to all drilling on the coast of Italy. These new projects, D30GR-NP and D29GR-NP, if approved, would represent just the beginning of a new invasion of the sea along the Italian coastline on the part of any and every company that decides it wants to take advantage of resources that will destroy the beauty of the coastline, loved for centuries by Italians.

As an Italian-American, and the granddaughter of chietesi, I am appalled and angered at what the Ministry is considering approving. To take advantage of the Sicilian people who love their coastline by allowing foreign oil companies to drill would be a real travesty, and it would continue the power-and-money-hungry attitude so often displayed by large companies who don't care about the precious rights of the Italian people.

I hope very much that the Italian government does not agree with this attitude, and that it will prevent this and every other contract from being approved.

Thank you in advance for your attention.

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