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Dear Christine O’Connell:

I am particularly enthusiastic to be considered for the field technician position position in Puerto Rico. I am an interdisciplinary environmentalist with experience in different scientific fields such as: urban ecology, species population ecology, watershed management, social science and soil science. I am confident that my passion for the protection of natural resources, strong commitment to conservation and sustainability make me an ideal candidate for this position.

I bring skills and knowledge acquired from study, experience and research to create solutions to match the needs of this position. I possess remarkable experience/skills that will be of great benefit. As I read the job description I was able to recognize key strengths that I possess, for example:

An effective research and planning transferable skills: In my career as graduate and undergraduate I had the opportunity to be part of several investigations projects that gave me the experience of working in the science process. For instance, I have been involved with data collection with different method such as: mark and recapture method, vegetation censuses, social- economic surveys and atmospheric measurements. As a Laboratory Technician, I acquired skills such as planning, organization and execution of research, data entry, analyzing and progress report. While doing my MS in Natural Resources at NC State I took a courses in Advance Geospatial Analytics ([Portfolio Link](http://cpvilaru.wix.com/cpvilarugis520)) and Soils which later on I used on my research project. I worked on the recollection of soils samples for chemical analysis, soil cores and surveying. From these experiences I learned how to interact with a wide variety of professional, general public and the ability to develop a research in different scientific scenarios.

I believe my proven communication skills, relationship skills, personal approach, teamwork, upbeat attitude, and good judgment in selecting methods and techniques for obtaining solutions will be of immense benefit for the Silver Lab. I have enclosed my resume for your consideration. I would be happy to provide you further documentation of my background and outlining my professional experiences. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to schedule a time and place to meet. Thank you for your valued time and professional consideration.

Sincerely, Cristina P. Vila Ruiz

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