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To whom it may concern:

This is to verify that Prof. Roger Z. Rios-Mercado from Universidad Autonoma de Nuevo Leon visited me at Northwestern University (NU) on June 7-11, 2013. During his visit we discussed research issues such as possible joint collaboration on his project on territory design systems and revision of an on-going paper on pipeline network optimization. Additionally, Prof. Rios gave a talk about his current research work entitled "*Designing Optimal Districts in the Recycling of Electronic Goods with Integer Programming and Problem Reformulation*" in the Transportation Center at NU.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Conrado Borraz-Sánchez".

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PS Please, do not hesitate to contact me for any further information that may be required.