



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 2
CARRIBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
CITY VIEW PLAZA II BUILDING, 7TH FLOOR
ROUTE 165 GUAYNABO, PUERTO RICO 00968

January 08, 2024

Mr. Orlando Rodríguez Hernández
Acting Compliance Director
Compliance and Quality Control
Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority
P.O. Box 7066
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00916 -9990

**Re: Reconnaissance Inspection
Hacienda Lomas de Ceiba Pump Station in Peñuelas, Puerto Rico**

Dear Mr. Rodríguez:

On November 13, 2023, Mr. Héctor Ortiz, Environmental Engineer of the United States Environmental Protection Agency conducted a Reconnaissance Inspections (RI) of the Hacienda Las Lomas Pump Station (PS) facility located in Ceiba, Puerto Rico, in accordance with the authority contained in Section 308 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1218 et seq).

The purpose of the RI was to investigate citizen complaints, Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority complaints, and Conservation Trust of Puerto Rico which allege have observed sewage discharges from the PS flowing into Ceiba Creek.

Enclosed, you will find a copy of the RI report which summarizes the deficiencies, violations and concerns found during the RI. If you have any questions regarding the report, please contact Mr. Ortiz at (787) 977-5883.

Sincerely,

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Chief
Municipal Water Program Branch

Enclosures

cc: Annette Feliberty, EQB (w/enclosure)
Hacienda Las Lomas Pump Station Reading File (w/ enclosure)

bcc: Héctor Ortiz, CEPD-MPCB (w/enclosure)

