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Re: Puerto Rico's Nonpoint Source Management Program Plan

Dear Ms. Hernandez:

Thank you for the final revisions to the 2014-2019 Puerto Rico Nonpoint Source Management Program Plan that were submitted on September 10, 2015. The EPA's Clean Water Division has completed its review of Puerto Rico's Plan in accordance with section 319 of the Clean Water Act and in accordance with the April 12, 2013 Nonpoint Source Program and Grants Guidelines for States and Territories. EPA Region 2 has determined that the 2015-2019 Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board's Nonpoint Source Management Plan meets the requirements for the nonpoint source program. Therefore, the EPA approves the plan.

Thank you for your efforts to address nonpoint source pollution in the territory. The EPA looks forward to working with Puerto Rico's nonpoint source program staff to ensure that annual Section 319 work plans are developed in accordance with the goals and objectives identified in the revised document.

Should you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact me at (212) 637-3724 or have your staff contact Donna Somboonlakana at (212) 637-3700.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joan Leary Matthews".

Joan Leary Matthews, Director
Clean Water Division