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Mr. Alan J. Steinberg
Regional Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency
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290 Broadway
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Dear Mr. Steinberg:

RE: Puerto Rico 2008 Cycle 303(d) List

Enclosed is the **Puerto Rico 2008 Cycle 303(d) List** in accordance with Section 303 of the Clean Water Act (CWA). This list was established by the Governing Board of the Environmental Quality Board as expressed on resolution R-08-14-1, copy enclosed. The 2008 Cycle 303(d) List is submitted for your revision and approval as required by Section 303 of the CWA.

In addition, the Evaluation and Strategic Planning Area received comments from EPA on February and of the current year, of the proposed 2008 Cycle 303(d) List. In response to EPA's comments, we are submitting the attached addendum to the proposed 2008 303(d) List (copy enclosed).

Attached to this addendum are revised list for lakes, rivers and streams, estuaries, the San Juan Bay Estuary, and coastal shoreline. These lists address the issues raised by EPA, in particular assessment units.

Also, in letter dated March 13, 2008, the Fish & Wildlife Service submitted comments on the 303(d) List / 305(b) Integrated Report for 2008 Cycle. This communication was received after the deadline to submit the comments. The deadline for submitting

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comments was February 22, 2008. The Environmental Quality Board welcomes the comments received. However, they will be addressed in the next assessment Cycle.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Carmelo Vázquez, Manager, Evaluation and Strategic Planning Area at (787) 767-8181 extension 3550.

Sincerely,

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