

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

CARIBBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION CENTRO EUROPA BUILDING, SUITE 417 1492 PONCE DE LEON AVENUE, STOP 22 SAN JUAN, PR 00907-4127

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Mr. René Hernández Martínez President HR Group Corporation Letters 14, Box 391 Toa Alta, Puerto Rico 00954

Re:

Expedited Settlement Agreement

Docket No. CWA-02-2007-3332

Paseos de Morovis Residential Development

Dear Mr. Hernández Martínez:

Please find enclosed a copy of the executed Expedited Settlement Agreement ("ESA") between the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and HR Group Corporation (HR), entered as part of the Consent Agreement and Final Order ("CAFO") issued to you. This letter serves as your notification that the ESA is effective ("SO ORDERED"). Please note that this settles any civil penalty claims against HR for the Clean Water Act violations alleged in the CAFO.

Within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of this letter, you must send a check for the amount of \$9,875.00 and a copy of the Agreement, via certified mail, to:

Regional Hearing Clerk U.S. EPA, Region 2 In the Matter of HR Group Corporation Docket No.: CWA-02-2007-3332 P.O. Box 360188M Pittsburgh, PA 15251

The payment for the penalty amount must be in the form of a bank, cashiers or certified check payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America" with EPA's Docket Number of the Expedited Settlement Agreement written on the check.

A copy of the check payment of the penalty amount must be sent via certify mail to EPA's Caribbean Environmental Protection Division for our records.

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If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact Mr. José A. Rivera at (787) 977-5842.

Sincerely,

Carl-Axel P. Sode

Caribbean Environmental Protection Division

Enclosure

cc: Wanda García, EQB (copy of ESA)

Karen Maples, Regional Hearing Clerk (original and copy of ESA)



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION

290 Broadway

New York, New York 10007

EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Docket Number: CWA-02-2007-3332

HR Group Corporation ("Respondent") is a "person," within the meaning of Section 502(5) of the Clean Water Act ("Act"), 33 U.S.C. § 1362(5), and 40 CFR § 122.2.

Attached is an "Expedited Settlement Offer Deficiencies Form" ("Form"), which is incorporated by reference. By its signature, Complainant ("EPA") finds that Respondent is responsible for the deficiencies specified in the Form.

Respondent failed to apply for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") storm water permit in violation of 40 CFR §122 and Section 308 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1318.

EPA finds, and Respondent admits, that Respondent is subject to 40 CFR §122 and Section 308 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §1318, and that EPA has jurisdiction over any "person" who "discharges pollutants" from a "point source" to "waters of the Respondent neither admits nor denies the United States." deficiencies specified in the Form.

EPA is authorized to enter into this Consent Agreement and Final Order ("Agreement") under the authority vested in the Administrator of EPA by Section 309(g)(2)(A) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(2)(A), and by 40 CFR § 22.13(b). The parties enter into this Agreement in order to settle the civil violation(s) alleged in this Agreement for a penalty of \$9,875.00. Respondent consents to the assessment of this penalty, and waives the right to: Carl-Axel N. Soder (1) contest the finding(s) specified in the Form; (2) a hearing Director pursuant to Section 309(g)(2) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. \$1319(g)(2); and (3) appeal pursuant to Section 309(g)(8), 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(8).

Additionally, Respondent certifies, subject to civil and criminal penalties for making a false statement to the United States Government, that any deficiencies identified in the Form have been corrected. Respondent shall submit a written report with this Agreement detailing the specific actions taken to correct the violations cited herein.

Respondent certifies that, within ten (10) days of receiving notice from EPA that the Agreement is effective (thirty (30) days from the date it is signed by the EPA Official), Respondent shall submit a bank, cashiers or certified check, with case name and docket number noted, for the amount specified above payable to the "Treasurer, United States of America," via certified mail, to:

U.S. EPA

26 W. Martin Luther King Drive Attention: Finance (MS: NWD)

Cincinnati, Ohio 45268.

A copy of the check shall be sent to the EPA address above.

This Agreement settles EPA's civil penalty claims against Respondent for the Clean Water Act violation(s) specified in this Agreement. EPA does not waive its rights to take any enforcement action against Respondent for any other past, present, or future civil or criminal violation of the Act or of any other federal statute or regulation. EPA does not waive its right to issue a compliance order for any uncorrected deficiencies or violation(s) described in the Form. EPA has determined this Agreement to be appropriate.

This Agreement is binding on the parties signing below and effective thirty (30) days fro.n the date it is signed by the Presiding Officer unless a petition to set aside the Order is filed by a commenter pursuant to Section 309(g)(4)(C) of the Act. 33 U.S.C. \S 1319(g)(4)(C), and 40 CFR Part 22 or upon filing with the Regional Hearing Clerk.

APPROVED BY EPA: Date: 09-17-6

USEPA Region 2, Caribbean Environmental Protection Div.

APPROVED BY RESPONDENT:

Rene Hernandez Martinez Name (print):

Title (print): President

Signature: New -More than 40 days have elapsed since the issuance of public notice pursuant to Section 309(g)(4)(A) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. §1319(g)(4)(A), and EPA has received no comments

concerning this matter.]

Having determined that this Agreement is authorized by law, IT IS SO ORDERED:

Date 11-28-07

Director /

USEPA Region 2, Caribbean Environmental Protection Div.