

**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGION 2**

In the Matter of:

HÉCTOR RODRÍGUEZ VALLE  
P.O. Box 1239  
Hormigueros, Puerto Rico 00660

and

TRANSPORTE RODRÍGUEZ ASFALTO,  
INC. ("TRA")  
P. O. Box 1239  
Hormigueros, Puerto Rico 00660

TRA RECYCLING PLANT  
CONSTRUCTION PROJECT  
PR-419 Road, Km. 11.05  
Intersection with Road PR-2, Km. 139.7  
Cerro Gordo Ward, Aguada, Puerto Rico

RESPONDENTS

March 21, 2024 @ 1:13 pm  
USEPA – Region II  
Regional Hearing Clerk

DOCKET NUMBER CWA-02-2024-3451

Proceeding pursuant to Section 309(g)(2)(B)  
of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §  
1319(g)(2)(B), to assess a Class II Civil  
Penalty

**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF THE CO-RESPONDENT HÉCTOR RODRÍGUEZ  
VALLE AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER TO  
COMPLAINT**

**TO THE HONORABLE REGIONAL JUDICIAL OFFICER:**

COMES NOW Co-Respondent, Héctor Rodríguez Valle, through the undersigned counsel, and respectfully sets forth and prays as follows:

1. The undersigned attorney represents the Co-Respondent, Mr. Héctor Rodríguez Valle.
2. On February 26, 2024, Co-Respondent Mr. Héctor Rodríguez Valle was notified of the present action by certified mail.
3. The undersigned attorney is out of the country attending a family health matter and has not had the opportunity to meet with his client.

4. In order to conclude the necessary research and investigation regarding the allegations contained in that present action, co- respondent will require an extension of time of sixty (60) days.
5. During the requested time extension, we will also be promoting and exploring alternatives to dispose the case in the best interests of all the parties, avoiding the delays and costs resulting from the corresponding administrative proceedings.
6. To that effect, a meeting with counsel for Complainant has been scheduled for April 2, 2024.
7. Otherwise, the undersigned counsel has contacted counsel for Complainant, Ms. Suzette Meléndez-Colón, and explained the reason for our request and extension of time, who indicated that she has no objection to the present request.

WHEREFORE, Co-Respondent, Mr. Héctor Rodríguez Valle, respectfully requests a sixty (60) day extension of time to file an answer to the Administrative Complaint in the present action.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In Hormigueros, Puerto Rico, this 21st day of March, 2024.

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