## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 2

In the Matter of:

Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority.

Respondent

**MOTION** 

Index No. CAA-02-2010-1235

POTESTION AL HEARING

## Motion Informing Agreement in Principle Reached by the Parties and Request for Extension of Time to File Executed Consent Agreement and Final Order

COMES NOW Complainant, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) through the undersigned attorney, and respectfully alleges, prays and requests as follows:

On February 16, 2011, the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (Respondent) and the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA" or "Complainant") (together, "the Parties") reached an agreement in principle dispositive of all rnatters asserted in the Administrative Complaint, including a penalty.

The Parties are engaged in settlement discussions in order to reach an agreement as to the final language and terms of the Consent Agreement and Final Order (CA/FO). Once the CA/FO is finalized it will be placed into concurrence within several EPA officers located in Region 2's San Juan and New York offices for their review and concurrence. Also, in order to file a duly executed CA/FO, the signature of the Respondent and the

signature of the Regional Administrator are required. Once this process concludes, the fully executed CA/FO will immediately be filed.

This Motion has been filed today in order to have the Chief Administrative Law Judge, Honorable Susan L. Biro, take notice of the agreement reached by the Parties and of the progress made in formalizing this agreement in a fully executed CA/FO. Due to the complexity of the review and concurrence process within the Agency and between the Parties in order to finalize a fully executed CA/FO, the Parties request the Honorable Presiding Officer extend the February 18, 2011 deadline established in the January 10, 2011 Prehearing Order until April 18, 2011, in order to file the duly executed CA/FO and notify its execution to the Presiding Officer.

This Motion was discussed today, February 16, 2011, with María V. Mercado Rondón, Esq., attorney for Respondent, who agreed to the filing of this motion.

Respectfully submitted, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 16th day of February. 2011.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have this day caused to be sent the foregoing *Motion* Informing Agreement in Principle Reached by the Parties and Request for Extension of Time to File Executed Consent Agreement and Final Order, dated February 16, 2011, and bearing the above-referenced docket number, in the following manner to the respective addressees below:

Original and copy by facsimile, Overnight Mail to:

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Honorable Susan L. Biro

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Date

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