UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 2

IN THE MATTER OF:

Victor Morales P.O. Box 8817 Caguas, Puerto Rico 00726

NPDES Permit Number PRU202017

Victor Morales Lot Development

Respondent.

DOCKET NUMBER CWA-02-2008-335

Proceeding Pursuant to Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §1319(g)

MOTION INFORMING REMOVAL AS COUNSEL OF RECORD

COME NOW the undersigned attorney who respectfully prays and requests as follows:

- 1. On January 2, 2009, the Governor of Puerto Rico, Luis G. Fortuño, nominated the undersigned, Pedro J. Nieves-Miranda, as a member of the Governor's Cabinet to act as President of the Environmental Quality Board ("Board").
- 2. The above nomination was made effective on January 7, 2009, when the Government of Puerto Rico and the Environmental Protection Agency executed an agreement under the spirit of cooperation and the provisions of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act Mobility Program, 5 U.S.C. §§3371 through 3375.
- 3. Based on the foregoing, and in accordance with the "Consolidated Rules of Practice Governing the Administrative Assessment of Civil Penalties, Issuance of Compliance or Corrective Action Orders, and the Revocation, Termination or Suspension of Perrnits" ("CROP"), 40 CFR Part 22 (2001), I hereby inform and respectfully request the Honorable Court to remove me as counsel of record for Complainant, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), in the referenced case.

Motion Informing Removal as Counsel of Record

4. All subsequent documents filed in this action shall be sent to:

Silvia Carreño Coll, Esq. Associate Regional Counsel Office of Regional Counsel Caribbean Environmental Protection Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 Centro Europa Building – Suite 217 1492 Ponce de Leon Avenue San Juan, Puerto Rico 00907 Telephone (787) 977-5818 Fax (787) 729-7748

WHEREFORE, the undersigned respectfully requests the Honorable Court to take notice of the above.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, IN SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO THIS 7TH OF JANUARY OF 2009.

Complainant:

Pedro J. Nieves-Miranda US Environmental Protection Agency Region 2, ORC-Caribbean Team Centro Europa Building, Ste. 407 1492 Ponce de León San Juan, PR 00907 Tel. 787-977-5822 Fax. 787-729-7748 <u>Nieves.Pedro@epamail.epa.gov</u>

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION II

IN THE MATTER OF:	
Victor Morales P.O. Box 8817 Caguas, PR 00726	Docket Number CWA-02-2008-3357
Victor Morales Lot Development	Proceeding Pursuant to Section 309(g) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §1319(g)
RESPONDENT.	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day caused to be sent this Motion Informing Removal As Counsel of Record in the following manner to the respective addressees below:

Original and copy by Overnight Mail to: Karen Maples Regional Hearing Clerk Region II U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 290 Broadway, 16th Floor New York, NY 10007-1866 Office: 212-637-3247 & Helen Ferraras Presiding Officer U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 290 Broadway – 16th Floor New York, NY 10007-1866

Copy by facsimile to:

Attorney for Respondent **Rafael A. Machargo** Rafael Machargo's Law Offices P. O. Box 193005 San Juan, PR 00919-3005 Fax (787) 753-8944.

Copy by Overnight Mail to:

Administrative Law Judge **Honorable Barbara A. Gunning** Office of Administrative Law Judges U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1099 14th Street, N.W., Suite 350 Washington, D.C. 20005 Fax (202) 565-0044.

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