

## **UNITED STATES**

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

In the Matter of	)
Total Petroleum Puerto Rico Corp.,	) Docket No. RCRA-02-2018-710
Respondent.	)
	)

## REPORT RECOMMENDING TERMINATION OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS AND ASSIGNMENT OF A JUDGE FOR LITIGATION

The Chief Administrative Law Judge's Order of August 8, 2018, provides that this alternative dispute resolution ("ADR") process terminates October 26, 2018. The recommendation of this Report is that the ADR process be terminated, and that the case be assigned to a Judge for resolution through litigation.

The parties in this matter have not yet reached an agreement to settle the matter. The parties, however, did successfully use the ADR process to negotiate the framework for a possible settlement. They are encouraged to continue their negotiations to try to conclude a settlement agreement.

I would like to express my appreciation to the parties for the courtesy, professionalism and candor with which they participated in the ADR process.

M. Lisa Buschmann

Administrative Law Judge

Dated: October 31, 2018

Approved:

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: October 31, 2018

In the Matter of *Total Petroleum Puerto Rico Corp.*, Respondent. Docket No. RCRA-02-2018-7101

## **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Report Recommending Termination of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process and Assignment of a Judge for Litigation, issued by Administrative Law Judge M. Lisa Buschmann, dated this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October 2018, were sent to the following in the manner indicated.

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