

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 2 CARIBBEAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION CITY VIEW PLAZA II BUILDING, 7TH FLOOR ROUTE 165 GUAYNABO, PUERTO RICO 00968

6/3/2021

VIA EMAIL

Hon. Carmen I. Maldonado Mayor Municipality of Morovis P.O. Box 655 Morovis, Puerto Rico 00687

Re: Notice of Coverage under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System General Permit Permit Number: PRR040046

Dear Mayor Maldonado:

This letter acknowledges that the Municipality of Morovis (Municipality) has submitted a complete Notice of Intent (NOI) document to be covered under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (Small MS4 GP) in urbanized areas (PRR040000) in Puerto Rico. Coverage under this general permit began at the conclusion of the Municipality's thirty (30) day waiting period, which is **May 31**, **2021.**

The eligibility for coverage under the Small MS4 GP is based on the validity of the certification you provided on the NOI. Your signature certifies that you have read, understood and are implementing all of the applicable requirements of the Small MS GP. An important aspect of this certification requires that you correctly determine whether you are eligible for coverage under this Small MS4 GP.

In addition, the Small MS4 General Permit requires existing permittees to revise and update the current municipal Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) for the Municipality and begin implementing it. The modified SWMP must be submitted to the undersigned attention, one (1) year from the date of authorization of coverage under this general permit, by May 31, 2022. The Small MS GP outlines important measurable goals, storm sewer system mapping, detection and addressing non-storm water discharges, inspections and record keeping requirements, among others. An electronic copy of the Small MS4 GP and additional guidance materials can be viewed and downloaded at https://www.epa.gov/region02/water/npdes/permits/index.html.

If you have questions regarding the stormwater program or your responsibilities under the Small MS4 GP, please contact Mr. Sergio Bosques, Senior Environmental Engineer, Clean Water Act Team at (787) 977-5838, or via email at <u>bosques.sergio@epa.gov</u>. You may also contact Ms. Yolianne Maclay, Senior Environmental Engineer, Clean Water Act Team, at (787) 977-5849 or via email at <u>maclay.yolianne@epa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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