December 4th, 2024

BY CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Jorge Arrufat Executive Vice-President Beckton Environmental Laboratories, Inc. EPA Code #PR00012 192 Villa Street Ponce, Puerto Rico 00731

DRINKING WATER MICROBIOLOGY LABORATORY CERTIFICATION

Dear Mr. Arrufat:

Puerto Rico Department of Health (PRDOH) personnel evaluated Beckton Environmental Microbiology Drinking Water Laboratory, PR00012 files for certification renewal. This is in accordance to the requirements of the "Manual for the Certification of Laboratories Analyzing Drinking Water, PRDOH-016-8-90, Revision 16", and the "Protocol for the Use of Water Supply Performance Evaluation Samples in the Drinking Water Laboratory Certification Program, PRDOH-016-6-92, Revision 9.0".

Based on the file's review and acceptable results on the Environmental Resource Associates (ERA) WS-331, & WS-332 Proficiency Studies, the PRDOH is granting the following certification status by parameter/methodology for this laboratory:

PARAMETER	STATUS
Total coliforms [MTF - LTB followed by BGLB (SM 9221B)]	Certified
Fecal Coliforms [EC Method (SM 9221E)]	Certified
E. coli- [Enzymatic EC-MUG (SM 9221F)]	Certified
Heterotrophic Bacteria [HPC (Pour Plate) (SM 9215B)]	Certified

This certification shall be in effect immediately and valid until January 1, 2026.

Please contact Nancy Sánchez at the Hygiene Laboratories Certification Area at (787) 765-2929 ext 3743,3721 if you have questions regarding the laboratory's certification status.

Sincerely

Félix Rodríguez Schmidt, MD Deputy Secretary of Health

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