

DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES FROM THE DRAFT TO FINAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT WITH NUMBER PR0000345 ISSUED TO COMMONWEALTH OIL REFINING COMPANY, INC. FOR ITS PEÑUELAS, PUERTO RICO FACILITY

On July 20, 2012, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) public noticed the preparation of a draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit (PR0000345) for Commonwealth Oil Refining Company, Inc. (CORCO) as permittee for the discharge to waters of the United States from its facility located at 600 State Road Number 127, Peñuelas, Puerto Rico, 00624. The public comment period for CORCO's draft NPDES permit expired on September 4, 2012. EPA made changes in the final permit as follows. The page numbers in the left column refer to the pages in the final permit, not the draft permit (i.e., pages might have been removed/inserted in the final permit which required pages to be renumbered).

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Page 1 EPA changed the Effective Date of Permit (EDP) to the date calculated. EPA calculated this date by taking the approximate date the permittee is expected to be served notice of the final permit decision (~10/15/12), adding 60 days to this date, and rounding the date calculated up to the first of the month (**January 1, 2013**). [Note: All other time periods involving "EDP" on the following pages were calculated based on this date.]

EPA replaced the expiration date of "EDP + 5 years" with **December 31, 2017**.

Page 2 EPA changed "EDP" to **January 1, 2013** and "EDP + 5 years" to **December 31, 2017**.

Page 6 In Note α, EPA changed "not later than thirty (30) days after the EDP" to "not later than **February 1, 2013**," changed "analytical method approved by EPA" to "analytical method approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)" and changed "EQB's written approval" to "the Environmental Quality Board of Puerto Rico's (EQB's) written approval."

Page 7 EPA changed "EDP" to **January 1, 2013** and "EDP + 5 years" to **December 31, 2017**.

Page 11 EPA changed "Within sixty (60) days after the Effective Date of the NPDES Permit (EDP)" in Special Condition 17.a to "By **March 1, 2013**."

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Page 13 EPA changed “Within one hundred and eighty (180) days of the EDP”
in Special Condition 21.a to “By **July 1, 2013.**”

Page 18 EPA changed "EDP + 1 month + 28 days" in Part II.B.2.b for
submission of the first report to “**February 28, 2013.**”

Page 23 EPA has added Item 7 in Part I.C of the final permit and, since a new
page was also added, the subsequent pages have been renumbered.
Item 7 is a “Reopener Clause for Coastal Zone Management
Consistency.”