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## **BY ELECTRONIC MAIL**

May 17, 2024

Mr. Juan C. Blanco Urrutia Executive Director Office of Management and Budget

Dear Mr. Blanco Urrutia,

This letter is in response to your letter dated May 11, 2024, requesting that the Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico (the "Oversight Board") consider a request from the Puerto Rico Mayors Federation for the disbursement of up to \$250,000 from the Emergency Reserve to 28 municipalities to support recovery efforts related to the rainfall event that took place in May 2024 (the "May 2024 Rainfall Event").

The Emergency Reserve is intended to expedite response activities and, upon request, provide Commonwealth agencies and affected local governmental entities with funds in the event of an emergency of such severity and magnitude that effective response exceeds the capacity of current budget resources and federal disaster assistance is not available or not yet available to respond to the emergency. Moreover, the Emergency Reserve is intended for extraordinary events, such as natural disasters, or as otherwise agreed with the Oversight Board and that are generally outside of human control and unpreventable.

The Oversight Board hereby authorizes the requested disbursements of up to \$250,000 from the Emergency Reserve to each of the 28 municipalities identified in the attachment to your letter dated May 11, 2024. The funds shall be used to support recovery efforts related to the May 2024 Rainfall Event, subject to the procedures established in Special Memorandum No. 010-2022 titled Accounting and Compliance Guidelines for the Use of Advance Funds from the Emergency Reserve Due to the Passage of Hurricane Fiona. The municipalities must return any unused balances to the Emergency Reserve.

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Pursuant to the Oversight Board's letter to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") dated May 8, 2024, access to the Emergency Reserve was granted for a period of 15 days, commencing on May 8, 2024. Once the access period to the Emergency Reserve has ended, the OMB must submit to the Oversight Board a detail of the expenditures incurred during the emergency.

The Oversight Board looks forward to continuing to work in collaboration with the Government to accomplish the requirements and goals of PROMESA for the benefit of the people of Puerto Rico.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Mujica, Jr. Executive Director

CC: Hon. Pedro R. Pierluisi Hon. Omar J. Marrero Díaz