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Ameko Pato, Director
American Samoa EPA
P.O. Box PPA
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Dear Mr. Pato:

On April 19, 2013, Amy Wagner, Laboratory Certification Officer, conducted an evaluation of the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency Drinking Water Analysis Laboratory for the purpose of renewing the laboratory's certification to analyze drinking water samples for microbiology under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Program. Ms. Wagner's evaluation report is enclosed.

It is with pleasure that I hereby grant your laboratory full certification for the analysis of total coliforms and *E. coli* by the Colilert procedure. Full certification will remain in effect until June 21, 2016, provided that the laboratory satisfactorily analyzes the required performance evaluation samples and notifies Region 9 of any significant change in personnel, equipment, or laboratory location within 30 days of such change.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Ms. Wagner at (510) 412-2329. I appreciate the courtesy and cooperation extended to Ms. Wagner during her visit to your laboratory.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas McCullough".

Thomas McCullough
Assistant Regional Administrator
For Management and Technical Services Division

Enclosures

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