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Dr. Guansheng Jiao
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Dear Dr. Jiao:

On December 9-10, 2025, Christopher Cagurangan and Cynthia Holman, EPA Region 9 Laboratory Certification Officers, conducted a program overview of Hawaii's Drinking Water Certification Program. As required under the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), a State granted primacy must maintain an effective State program to certify laboratories that conduct analytical measurements of drinking water contaminants (40 CFR 142.10(b)(3)(i)). This program overview assessed the adequacy of the Environmental Health Analytical Services Branch (EHASB) in certifying drinking water laboratories and included reviewing documents, verifying practices, and holding discussions with you and your program staff.

Enclosed is our report on the status of the EHASB's Drinking Water Laboratory Certification Program (LCP). Based on U.S. EPA Region 9's assessment and EHASB's Corrective Action Response, we have rated the adequacy of Hawaii's Drinking Water LCP as *Effective* for laboratory certification.

We appreciate the EHASB's courtesy and cooperation during the program overview. If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact Christopher Cagurangan at cagurangan.christopher@epa.gov or Cynthia Holman at holman.cynthia@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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