

6 September 2016

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: 16-02

Instruction to the Secretariat of the Commission for Environmental Cooperation to make public the factual record for Submission SEM-09-002 (*Wetlands in Manzanillo*)

THE COUNCIL:

SUPPORTIVE of the process provided for in Articles 14 and 15 of the *North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation* (NAAEC) regarding submissions on enforcement matters;

REAFFIRMING that a Factual Record is not to contain conclusions or recommendations and is expected to provide an objective presentation of the facts relevant to the matter(s) raised in a submission, allowing readers to draw their own conclusions regarding a Party's environmental law enforcement;

NOTING that Guideline 12.3 of the *Guidelines for Submissions on Enforcement Matters under Articles 14 and 15 of the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation* states that if a Party so desires, its comments made pursuant to NAAEC Article 15(5) on the accuracy of the draft factual record will be posted on the registry of submissions.

HEREBY UNANIMOUSLY DECIDES:

TO MAKE PUBLIC the attached Factual Record for Submission SEM-09-002 (*Wetlands in Manzanillo*); and

TO DIRECT the Secretariat to publish a Party's comments separately from the factual record on the registry of submissions, if that Party so desires.

APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL:

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