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To whom it may concern,

This letter is in support of the Caribbean Coastal Ocean Observing System (CariCOOS) and its proposal "Advancing Coastal intelligence in the US Caribbean". CariCOOS' efforts to provide accurate and timely ocean and meteorological information are essential to a variety of users in Puerto Rico and the USVI.

Being the sole source of near coastal real time data on sea state and marine weather in the region, as head weatherman for Telemundo PR-NBC Universal, I regularly incorporate said data, of strong interest to my audience, on reports daily issued. I am sure that the information that CariCOOS provides already have saved lives and property.

It is therefore that I strongly support CariCOOS and PI Julio Morell in this endeavor towards enhancing the system and further developing integrated product for the benefit of the community.

Should you need further details, do not hesitate to contact me at 787-641-2220, Ext. 1060.

Sincerely,

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Weather Anchor/Reporter