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Dear Reviewer,

The ***Tsunami Hazard Assessment of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands*** is the second Tsunami Hazard Assessment conducted by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in partnership with the Pacific Rick Management 'Ohana. The report authors have identified you as a particularly suitable expert who could provide comments on report content and clarity prior to publication and dissemination. We request that your comments be submitted to lead author, Dr. Burak Uslu, via email to burak.uslu@noaa.gov or by FAX to 206.526.6485 within 4 weeks of receipt.

This report provides the results of a tsunami hazard assessment conducted for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota.

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