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August 21, 2008

Mr. Dean Tagliaferro
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1
c/o Weston Solutions, Inc.
10 Lyman Street, Suite 2
Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201

Re: Pittsfield; GECD710
Floodplain Residential Properties Adjacent to the 1½ Mile Reach Housatonic River
Approval of *Final Completion Report for Removal Action for Housatonic River Floodplain –
Current Residential Properties Adjacent to 1½ Mile Reach*

Dear Mr. Tagliaferro:

The General Electric Company (GE) submitted, by cover letter dated July 30, 2008, the July 2008 report titled *Final Completion Report for Removal Action for Housatonic River Floodplain – Current Residential Properties Adjacent to 1½ Mile Reach* (the Final Completion Report) to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), with a copy to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), pursuant to Paragraph 88.a of the Consent Decree for the GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site. MassDEP has been provided the opportunity to review and comment on all aspects of the investigations related to the Final Completion Report and concurs with EPA that the Removal Action for the Housatonic River Floodplain – Current Residential Properties Adjacent to 1½ Mile Reach, excluding Post-Removal Site Control Activities, has been performed in accordance with the Consent Decree, and that the Performance Standards for the Removal Action for the Housatonic River Floodplain – Current Residential Properties Adjacent to 1½ Mile Reach have been achieved.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (413) 755-2264.

Sincerely,

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