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August 30, 2007

Ms. Susan Svirsky
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
c/o Weston Solutions, Inc.
10 Lyman Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201

**Re: GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site
Rest of River (GECD850)
Dispute Resolution on Condition No. 4 in EPA's "Conditional Approval" Letter for
GE's Corrective Measures Study Proposal Supplement**

Dear Ms. Svirsky:

On July 25, 2007, the General Electric Company (GE) invoked dispute resolution under the Reissued RCRA Permit on certain directives in Condition No. 4 of EPA's July 11, 2007 "conditional approval" letter for GE's *Corrective Measures Study Proposal Supplement* for the Rest of River. GE submitted an addendum to that initial statement on August 20, 2007. GE has now received your letter of August 29, 2007, in response to those submissions. That letter included, as an Attachment, revisions of certain of the disputed directives. Based on review of your letter and the Attachment, GE agrees that it will not proceed further at this time with the dispute resolution proceeding that it initiated on July 25, 2007. However, GE reserves all its future rights regarding these or any of the other conditions and directives in EPA's July 11, 2007 letter – including its right, pursuant to Special Condition II.N.5 of the Permit, to raise objections to these or any of the other conditions or directives in EPA's July 11, 2007 letter in a challenge to EPA's modification of the Permit to select corrective measures for the Rest of River, as well as any other rights that GE has under the Permit, the CD, or applicable law to raise such objections in the future.

Please let me know if you have any questions about this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew T. Silfer".

Andrew T. Silfer, P.E.
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