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August 6, 2004

Mr. Andrew T. Silfer
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100 Woodlawn Avenue
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: General Electric's Planned Excavations at Parcel I9-9-34 at Silver Lake Area (GECD600)
and Parcel K10-11-5 at Former Oxbow Areas J and K (GECD420)

Dear Mr. Silfer:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed General Electric's (GE's) document titled Planned Excavations at Parcel I9-9-34 at Silver Lake Area (GECD600) and Parcel K10-11-5 at Former Oxbow Areas J and K (GECD420) dated June 29, 2004.

Pursuant to Paragraph 73 of the Consent Decree (CD) that was entered in U.S. District Court on October 27, 2000, EPA, after consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), approves the above referenced submittal solely with respect to the disposal of soil excavated from Parcel K10-11-5. For soil excavated from Parcel I9-9-34, EPA takes no position regarding the disposition of soil from this parcel given that this soil is outside the scope of the CD. However, EPA agrees with the suggestion that the landowner should have the soil tested and properly disposed of in accordance with State and federal regulations.

Please contact me at (617) 918-1240 if you have any questions regarding this approval.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William P. Lovely, Jr.".

William P. Lovely, Jr.
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