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Mr. Andrew T. Silfer
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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: Approval of General Electric's February 2004 submittal "*Demolition and Disposition Activities – GE Building 40B,*" GE - Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Silfer:

This letter contains the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) approval of the demolition and disposal activities described in the above-referenced "*Demolition and Disposition Activities – GE Building 40B,*" (Demolition Plan). The Demolition Plan is subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Consent Decree (CD) that was entered in U.S. District Court on October 27, 2000.

Pursuant to Paragraph 73 of the CD, EPA, after consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), approves the above-referenced submittal.

EPA reserves its right to perform additional sampling in the areas subject to the Building 40B Demolition Plan and/or require additional sampling or Response Actions, if necessary, to meet the requirements of the Consent Decree.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (617) 918-1268.

Sincerely,

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