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Mr. Andrew T. Silfer
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RE: Conditional Approval of the "East Street Area 2-South Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan for Future City Recreational Area" at the GE - Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site

Dear Mr. Silfer:

On 20 November 2000, General Electric (GE) submitted a document entitled "Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan for Portion of East Street Area 2-South Removal Action - Future City Recreational Area, General Electric Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts". This document is subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Consent Decree that was entered in District Court on 27 October, 2000 (the "Consent Decree"). The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), after consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, approves the above-referenced submittal subject to the following conditions:

1. As identified in the Work Plan, Figure 3 move the following soil sampling locations: CRA-2 west approx. 20 ft. to the old railroad bed; CRA-18 west approx. 10 ft. to the old railroad bed; CRA-11 southeast approx. 5-10 ft. to the old railroad bed.
2. Add a soil boring adjacent to East Street at B6 as identified on WESTON's Figure 1, which was given to GE on 19 December 2001.
3. Add a soil boring adjacent to East Street at B8 as identified on WESTON's Figure 1, which was given to GE on 19 December 2001.
4. Add a soil boring approx. 70 ft northwest of CRA-7 along Newell Street.

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The specific locations of the shifted and new sampling locations will be determined in the field by consensus of the field crews. The other locations which GE proposes in Figure 3 are acceptable.

The EPA reserves its rights to perform additional sampling in the area subject to this Work Plan which incorporates the above comments. In addition, GE shall complete the investigation work and submit a Pre-Design Investigation Report for the Future City Recreational Area within 90 days of this Conditional Approval letter as proposed in the Work Plan.

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

Sincerely,



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