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Mr. Andrew Silfer  
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100 Woodlawn Avenue  
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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: **Comments on General Electric's July 7, 2003 submittal Proposal for Supplemental Sampling East Street Area 1 - North, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.**

Dear Mr. Silfer:

This letter contains the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of General Electric's (GE) "Proposal for Supplemental VOC Sampling" at East Street Area 1-North. This supplemental VOC sampling proposal is subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Consent Decree(CD) that was entered in U.S. District Court, on October 7, 2000.

Pursuant to Paragraph 73 in the CD, EPA, after consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Agency (MDEP), approves the above-reference submittal subject to the following conditions:

**Conditions**

1. GE complies with all of EPA's previous conditions as outlined in the June 20, 2003 Conditional Approval letter.
2. GE conducts all of the field work as identified in the June 20 and July 7, 2003 letters by August 18, 2003. All other document submittal requirements as defined in the aforementioned letters shall be maintained.
3. GE shall provide EPA and EPA's contractor five (5) working days notice prior to the initiation of the supplemental field activities.

EPA reserves the right to perform additional sampling in the East Street Area 1 North 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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