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Mr. Richard W. Gates, Remediation Project Manager
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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: Approval of General Electric's September 27, 2007 submittal titled *East Street Area 2-North Building 100 Averaging Area Evaluation* and its October 31, 2007 submittal titled *East Street Area 2-North Modification to Revised Attachment E - Post-Removal Site Control Plan*, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter contains the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of the above-referenced *East Street Area 2-North Building 100 Averaging Area Evaluation* (the "Evaluation") dated September 27, 2001, and *East Street Area 2-North Modification to Revised Attachment E - Post-Removal Site Control Plan* (the "Modified Plan") dated October 31, 2007. The Evaluation and Modified Plan are subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Consent Decree (CD) that was entered in U.S. District Court on October 27, 2000.

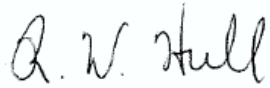
Pursuant to Paragraph 73 of the CD, EPA, after consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), approves the above-referenced submittals, subject to the following conditions:

1. GE shall delete the phrase "due to possible over-compaction of the soil cover materials" from subclause (f), starting on page 3 of the Other Ground-Covering Feature section.
2. This conditional approval letter does not constitute approval or agreement with the statement made on Page 1 that the CD and the SOW do not require inspection, maintenance, and repair activities for pavement and building foundations.

EPA reserves all of its rights under the CD, including but not limited to, the right to perform additional sampling and/or require additional sampling or Response Actions, if necessary, to meet the requirements of the CD.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (617) 918-1882.

Sincerely,



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