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February 4, 2005

Mr. Andrew T. Silfer Corporate Environmental Programs General Electric Company 159 Plastics Avenue Pittsfield, MA 01201

Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: Approval of General Electric's Unkamet Brook Area, Supplemental Sampling Letter Report for Northern Inudated Wetland Soils GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Silfer:

This letter provides the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of the above-referenced Unkamet Brook Area, Supplemental Sampling Letter Report for Northern Inudated Wetland Soils, (Report) dated January 13, 2005. The Report 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 subject to the following condition which is presented below.

1. In addition to the sampling locations presented in the Report, GE shall collect non-PCB samples from the 0-1 foot interval at the following three locations shown on Figure 3 of the Report: N-O18, N-S20, and N-W20.

EPA reserves its right to perform additional sampling 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) 918-1240.

Sincerely,

William Lordy

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