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Mr. Richard W. Gates  
Corporate Environmental Programs  
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via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: Conditional Approval of General Electric's January 30, 2007 submittal titled Groundwater Management Area 1, *Groundwater Quality Monitoring Report for Fall 2006*, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter contains the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of the above-referenced *Groundwater Quality Monitoring Report for Fall 2006* (the Report). 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 Report and the proposed Spring 2007 groundwater monitoring described therein, subject to the following condition.

In all future groundwater quality monitoring reports to be submitted, GE shall include groundwater elevation data (both in data tables and plotted as elevation contours on site plans).

Also, note that Table 4 contains an error in the proposed sampling analyses for Spring 2007. The table indicates that only well LSSC-8S will be sampled for PCBs. In the text, GE proposes to collect sample from wells LSSC-8S and LSSC-18. GE shall ensure that samples are collected from both of these wells and analyzed for PCBs in the Spring of 2007.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (617) 918-1721.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Richard Fisher", followed by two vertical lines.

Richard Fisher  
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