

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ONE CONGRESS STREET, SUITE 1100 BOSTON, MA 02114-2023

September 27, 2006

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

Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re:

Conditional Approval of General Electric's July 28, 2006 *GMA 1 Groundwater Quality Monitoring Interim Report for Spring 2006*, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Silfer:

This letter provides the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of GE's July 28, 2006 *GMA 1 Groundwater Quality Monitoring Interim Report for Spring 2006.* This letter 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 conditions:

- 1. GE shall not remove well RF-2 from the interim monitoring program at this time.
- 2. In future GMA 1 Groundwater Quality Reports, GE shall state that information on groundwater elevation, flow direction, contaminant migration, and seasonal trends are discussed in GMA 1 NAPL Reports.

EPA reserves its 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) 918-1328.

Sincerely,

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