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

Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Conditional Approval of General Electric's August 30, 2006 GMA 1 NAPL Monitoring Report for Spring 2006, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Silfer:

Re:

This letter provides the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of GE's August 30, 2006 GMA 1 NAPL Monitoring 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 August 30, 2006 report, subject to the following conditions:

1. In the next GMA1 NAPL Monitoring Report due by February 28, 2007, in addition to Figure 7, GE shall include a more detailed water table contour map (contour interval of 0.5 feet rather than 2 feet) of the area of the LNAPL plume in the vicinity of Building 68.

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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