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March 15, 2007

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

Re: EPA Conditional Approval of General Electric's January 30, 2007, submittal titled *Groundwater Management Area 2 (GECD320) Groundwater Quality Monitoring Report for Fall 2006*, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter provides the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of GE's January 30, 2007, submittal titled *Groundwater Management Area 2 (GECD320) Groundwater Quality Monitoring Report for Fall 2006 (the "Report")*. 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, in consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, approves the Report based on the following conditions.

1. During all future groundwater monitoring events, GE shall continue to make every effort to ensure that all groundwater elevations are measured on a single day.

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) 918-1882.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R.W. Hull".

Richard W. Hull
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