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

Re: EPA approval of General Electric's August 30, 2007, submittal titled *Groundwater Management Area 4 (GEC340) Groundwater Quality Monitoring Interim Report for Spring 2007*, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter provides the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) approval of GE's August 30, 2007, submittal titled *Groundwater Management Area 4 (GEC340) Groundwater Quality Monitoring Interim Report for Spring 2007* (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.

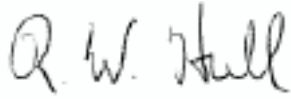
Pursuant to Paragraph 73 of the CD, EPA, in consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, approves the Report.

In addition to the groundwater monitoring requirements applicable to GMA 4, per the June 1999 OPCA Work Plan, as amended and approved, GE is required to prepare a long-term groundwater monitoring program proposal for the OPCAs, to be submitted upon final capping of the OPCAs. The LTMP shall be included with the completion report for the OPCAs, to be submitted 120 days following the completion of on-site activities.

EPA reserves all of its rights under the CD, including but not limited to, the 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,



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