



**United States Environmental Protection Agency
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May 27, 2008

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

Re: General Electric's May 8, 2008, Submittal Titled *Allendale School Property Vegetative Planting Plan*, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Gates:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is in receipt of your May 9, 2008 report titled *Allendale School Property Vegetative Planting Plan* (the "Planting Plan"), submitted in response to EPA's letter dated April 30, 2008.

EPA hereby approves the Planting Plan as submitted. GE shall implement the Planting Plan within 30 days of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at (617) 918-1882.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R.W. Hull".

Richard W. Hull
GE Facility Project Manager

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