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Mr. Richard W. Gates
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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: Conditional Approval of General Electric's May 22, 2007 submittal titled *Lyman Street Area — Properties East of Lyman Street; EPA Requested Information and Analytical Data for Proposed Backfill Sources* and General Electric's June 4, 2007 submittal titled *Lyman Street Area — Properties East of Lyman Street; EPA Requested Information and Analytical Data for Proposed Topsoil Source*, GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter provides the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) approval of General Electric's May 22, 2007 submittal titled *Lyman Street Area — Properties East of Lyman Street; EPA Requested Information and Analytical Data for Proposed Backfill Sources* and General Electric's June 4, 2007 submittal titled *Lyman Street Area — Properties East of Lyman Street; EPA Requested Information and Analytical Data for Proposed Topsoil Source* (the "Submittals"). The submittals are 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 Reports, subject to the following condition:

1. Some of the proposed activities included in the June 4, 2007 submittal supersede activities proposed in the May 22, 2007 submittal. In these instances, GE shall implement the proposed activities in the June 4, 2007 submittal.

EPA reserves all of its rights under the CD, including 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) 918-1282.

Sincerely,



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