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RE: Approval of GE's submittal entitled *Cell J1 Monitoring Results and Proposed Modification to Baseline Monitoring Program for Plant Site 1 Groundwater Management Area (GMA 1) Upper 1/2-Mile Reach Removal Action General Electric-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site*

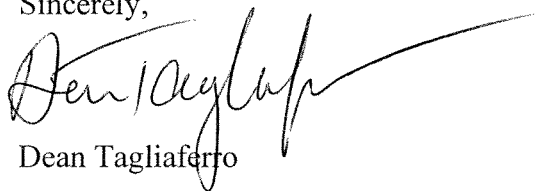
Dear Mr. Silfer:

On May 30, 2002, GE submitted the above-referenced document to EPA for approval. Pursuant to the Upper 1/2-Mile Reach Removal Action Work Plan and Paragraph 73.a of the Consent Decree, EPA, after consulting with the Massachusetts DEP, is hereby approving the above-referenced submittal.

EPA's approval of this submittal does not preclude EPA from requiring additional investigations and response activities pursuant to the Consent Decree, the Upper 1/2-Mile Reach Removal Action Work Plan and/or the *Statement of Work for Removal Actions Outside the River* (Appendix E to the Consent Decree).

If you have any questions, please contact me at (413) 236-0969.

Sincerely,



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