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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: Conditional Approval of GE's December 3, 2008 submittal titled *Fourth Supplement to the Pre-Design Investigation Report for Unkamet Brook Area Removal Action; GE-Pittsfield Housatonic River Site*

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter constitutes EPA's conditional approval of GE's December 3, 2008 submittal titled *Fourth Supplement to the Pre-Design Investigation Report for Unkamet Brook Area Removal Action*, (the "Fourth Supplement"). The Fourth Supplement 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, after consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), approves the Fourth Supplement subject to the following conditions:

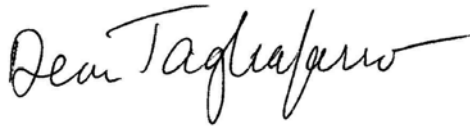
1. GE shall revise Figure 1 to accurately delineate the storm drains referred to as YD-11 and YD-12. Based on Site Drainage Plan No 4 from GE's December 1999 Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and the recent EPA-GE Site walk, it appears that Figure 1 of GE's Fourth Supplement does not accurately map these storm drain lines in the area of the Utility Corridor #2 –West. Based on GE's December 1999 Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, it appears the storm drains extend all the way to, and discharge into, Unkamet Brook. YD-12 appears to be located between the two buildings labeled as 120k and discharges to the Brook immediately south of sample location BA-1. Therefore, it appears the data from BA-1 should be included in the averaging for Utility Corridor #2 –West and that Utility Corridor #2 –West should overlap with Utility Corridor #2 – Remainder. YD -11 appears to be located in a straight line from Building 125 to a point between sample locations N-X-19 and N-Y-20.

EPA reserves the right to perform additional sampling and/or require additional response actions, if necessary, to meet the requirements of the Consent Decree. If there is any

conflict between the Performance Standards as described in the Fourth Supplement and as set forth in the Consent Decree and/or Statement of Work, the Consent Decree and Statement of Work shall control.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at (617) 918-1282.

Sincerely,



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