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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: Comments on General Electric Company's (GE) March 2001 *Pre-Design Investigation Report for Remedial Actions for 20s, 30s and 40s Complex,* GE Housatonic River Project Site, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Silfer:

This letter contains the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) conditional approval of the above-referenced *Pre-Design Investigation Report for Remedial Actions for 20s, 30s and 40s Complex.*

This *Pre-Design Investigation Report for Remedial Actions for 20s, 30s and 40s Complex* (Report) 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, the EPA, after consultation with Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MADEP), approves the above referenced submittal. Plan called for an Appendix IX sample to be collected from a depth of 6 to 15 feet at location RAA2-21, but the sample was never collected. The field logs for this location are being reviewed to determine the reason why the deeper sample was not collected at location RAA2-21.

EPA reserves its right to perform additional sampling in the 20s, 30s and 40s Complexes and/or require additional sampling or Response Actions, if necessary, to meet the requirements of the Consent Decree.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (617) 918-1268.

Sincerely,

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