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August 12, 2004

Mr. Andrew T. Silfer  
Corporate Environmental Programs  
General Electric Company  
100 Woodlawn Avenue  
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Via Electronic and U.S. Mail

Re: GE-Pittsfield/ Housatonic River Site  
Floodplain Residential and Non-Residential Properties Adjacent to 1 1/2 Mile Reach of  
the Housatonic River (GEC710 and GEC720)  
Proposal for Supplemental PCB Pre-Design Investigations - Phase 3 Floodplain  
Properties, Groups 3A, 3B, 3C, and 3D

Dear Mr. Silfer:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed General Electric's (GE's) document titled *Proposal for Supplemental PCB Pre-Design Investigations - Phase 3 Floodplain Properties, Groups 3A, 3B, 3C, and 3D* (Proposal) dated August 3, 2004.

Pursuant to Paragraph 73 of the CD, EPA, after consultation with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), approves the above-referenced submittal with the understanding that additional samples may be required following EPA's review of the forthcoming *Interim Pre-Design Investigation Report* which is due on August 16, 2004.

Please contact me at (617) 918-1240 if you have any questions regarding this approval.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William P. Lovely, Jr.".

William P. Lovely, Jr.  
GE Facility Project Manager

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