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Via Electronic Mail/Dated as of the date signed below

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Re: EPA's approval of GE's March 17, 2025 letter titled *Baseline Monitoring Program – Submittal Date for 2024 Baseline Data Summary Report*; GE-Pittsfield/Housatonic River Site

Dear Mr. Mooney:

On March 17, 2025, the General Electric Company (GE) submitted a letter requesting an extension to the submittal deadline for GE's 2024 Annual Baseline Data Summary Report (the "Report"). Section 5 of GE's 2023 Second Revised Baseline Monitoring Plan (the "Plan") requires that the results of baseline monitoring activities conducted during each year be summarized in an annual baseline data summary report and submitted to EPA by March 31 of the following year. As such, the Report is currently due by March 31, 2025.

GE's baseline monitoring activities conducted in 2024 include the sampling of surface water, sediment, fish tissue, waterfowl tissue, and benthic invertebrate samples. As stated in GE's March 17, 2025 letter, the laboratory analysis of the 2024 sediment surface water sampling is complete. The analytical data for surface water, fish tissue, waterfowl tissue, and benthic invertebrate samples are outstanding. GE anticipates receipt of all validated BMP data by late summer/fall 2025.

To include all the 2024 BMP sampling results in one submittal, GE is requesting an extension of the Report to be submitted 30 days following receipt of the validated congener PCB data for the outstanding baseline monitoring data. The extension of this deadline will not result in any delays to the Rest of River cleanup.

Pursuant to Section XV of the Consent Decree governing the response action, EPA, after providing reasonable opportunity for review and comment by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, approves GE's request for the extension of the Report submittal deadline. Furthermore, this change to the submittal deadline shall also be applied to all future Annual Baseline Data Summary Reports.

EPA reserves all of its rights under the Consent Decree and GE's Revised Final Permit (December 2020), including but not limited to, the right to perform and/or require additional sampling or response actions. If there is any conflict between the Performance Standards as stated in the submittal and the Performance Standards as stated in the Consent Decree or the Revised Final Permit, the Consent Decree and/or the Revised Final Permit shall control.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (617) 918-1720 or at fontaine.joshua@epa.gov should you have any questions on this letter.

Sincerely,

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