

**Public Input on General Electric's 2025 Annual
Report on Biota Consumption Outreach Activities:
Housatonic Rest of River - Massachusetts**

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Hello Josh,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide US EPA with comments regarding *GE's 2025 Annual Report on Biota Consumption Advisory Outreach Activities for Housatonic Rest of River in Massachusetts* (GE's 2025 Annual Report). DPH is providing updated versions and weblinks for the *DPH Advice for Eating Fish and Waterfowl from the Housatonic River Area in Massachusetts* Brochure referenced in GE's 2025 Annual Report.

In an effort to increase language access to fish advisory information for communities in the Housatonic River Area, DPH has translated the *Advice for Eating Fish and Waterfowl from the Housatonic River Area in Massachusetts* Brochure into three additional languages. In addition to the existing English and Spanish versions, DPH translated the brochure into Portuguese, Chinese (simplified and traditional), and Haitian Creole. These five languages are commonly spoken throughout Massachusetts and among many immigrant populations in the Berkshire area. The Brochure format has also been updated to improve accessibility for all people.

The Brochure is now available in five languages as a resource for GE, and other partners, tasked with raising awareness about the fish consumption advisory for the Housatonic River and health effects of PCBs. DPH is providing the updated Brochures via the following updated web link, <https://www.mass.gov/lists/housatonic-river-fish-and-waterfowl-advisory>, to be made available and replace the previous versions used for distribution moving forward as described throughout GE's 2025 Annual Report. These new translated versions should be distributed as needed to address local language needs and ensure advisory messaging is accessible to all population groups.

Best,

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