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Dr. Grace Luk Professor, Civil Engineering Ryerson Polytechnic University 350 Victoria Street Toronto, Ontario CANADA M5B 2K3

RE: <u>Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site: Baseline Modeling Report Peer</u> <u>Review</u>

Dear Dr. Luk:

In anticipation of the upcoming peer review of EPA's Baseline Modeling Report, I enclose for your consideration a short report concerning Charge Question 11. The report was prepared by Dr. John Connolly of the firm Quantitative Environmental Analysis (QEA) on GE's behalf, and addresses the apparent inconsistency between the conclusions in EPA's Baseline Modeling Report and Low Resolution Coring Report.

I am sending you this Report because I believe it will assist you in your deliberations on Charge Question 11. These inconsistencies are important and potentially lead to different remedial approaches. As a result, the apparent discrepancy should be resolved, but I also appreciate that it is up to you whether to consider the information in this Report.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or John Connolly at (201) 930-9890.

Yours truly,

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Enclosure