Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs **■** MEPA Office



Environmental Notification Form

For Office Use Only Executive Office of Environmental Affairs EOEA No.: 14091 MEPA Analyst Briony Angus Phone: 617-626-1029

The information requested on this form must be completed to begin MEPA Review in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, 301 CMR 11.00.

Project Name: Site Remediation for Dalton Avenue				
Dalton Ave.				
Municipality: Pittsfield		Watershed:Eas	st Branch Housa	tonic River
Universal Tranverse Mercator Coordinates:		Latitude: 42d 27'55" N Longitude: 73d 12'42" W		
Estimated commencement date: Fall 2007		Estimated completion date: Fall 2008		
Approximate cost: \$450,000		Status of project design: 100 %comple		
Proponent: Richard Gates (General Electric Company, Inc.)				
Street: 159 Plastics Ave.				
Municipality: Pittsfield		State: MA	Zip Code: 01201	
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copies of this ENF May Be Obtained: Tim Allessio				
Firm/Agency: Hill Engineers, Architects,		Street: 50 Depot St.		
Planners, Inc.				
Municipality: Dalton		State: MA	Zip Code: 012	26
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Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory	EIR threshold (see 301 CMR 11.03)?	
]]Yes	⊠No
Has this project been filed with MEPA before?		
[Yes (EOEA No)	⊠No
Has any project on this site been filed with MEI	PA before?	
	_Yes (EOEA No)	⊠No
Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) red	questing:	
a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8))	Yes	⊠No
a Special Review Procedure? (see 301CMR 11.09)) 🗌 Yes	No
a Waiver of mandatory EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.11)	Yes	⊠No
a Phase I Waiver? (see 301 CMR 11.11)	Yes	⊠No

Identify any financial assistance or land transfer from an agency of the Commonwealth, including the agency name and the amount of funding or land area (in acres):

Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency? [Xes(Specify MADEP, US Army Corps of Engineers, City of Pittsfield)] [No

List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: <u>Order of Conditions City of Pittsfield, Army Corps (</u> Engineers 404 Permit, 401 Water Quality Certificate

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Which ENF or EIR review threshold(s) does the project meet or exceed (see 301 CMR 11.03):

Land	Rare Species	🛛 Wetlands, Waterways, & Tidelands
Water	🖸 Wastewater	Transportation
🗌 Energy	🗋 Air	Solid & Hazardous Waste
	Regulations	Historical & Archaeological
	-	Resources

Summary of Project Size	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits &	
& Environmental Impacts				Approvals	
	LAND			Order of Conditions	
Total site acreage	28.1			Superseding Order of Conditions	
New acres of land altered		0.9+/-		Chapter 91 License	
Acres of impervious area	5.3	0	5.3	401 Water Quality Certification	
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		3,700 +/-		 MHD or MDC Access Permit Water Management Act Permit New Source Approval DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit 	
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		37,000 +/-			
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0			
STR	JCTURES			Other Permits	
Gross square footage				(including Legislative Approvals) – Specify:	
Number of housing units				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Maximum height (in feet)					
TRANS	PORTATION				
Vehicle trips per day					
Parking spaces					
WATER/V	VASTEWATE	R			
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use					
GPD water withdrawal					
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment					
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)					

CONSERVATION LAND: Will the project involve the conversion of public parkland or other Article 97 public natural resources to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97? ____)

Yes (Specify_

⊠No

Will it involve the release of any conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction, or watershed preservation restriction?

Yes (Specify_____)

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⊠No

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<u>RARE SPECIES</u>: Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?

☐Yes (Specify) ⊠No

HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOUR	CES: Does the proje	ect site include any structure, site or district listed
	ventory of Historic an	nd Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth?
If yes, does the project involve any demolition c resources?		listed or inventoried historic or archaeological
Yes (Specify)	⊠No
AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CO Environmental Concern?	NCERN: Is the proje	ect in or adjacent to an Area of Critical

□Yes (Specify_____) ⊠No

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project description should include (a) a description of the project site, (b) a description of both on-site and off-site alternatives and the impacts associated with each alternative, and (c) potential on-site and off-site mitigation measures for each alternative (You may attach one additional page, if necessary.)

a) The subject sites are located off Dalton Ave. in Pittsfield, MA. The subject site consists of 7 separate parcels (The proposed work area is shown on the attached drawings GE-1096 CZ101, CZ102 & CZ103). The site consists of mainly retail businesses and parking lots. Unkamet Brook bisects the site and then flows through a culvert under Dalton Avenue.

The proposed remediation area encompasses approximately 40,400 square feet (37,000 s.f. identified as "wetlands" i.e. Riverfront area and BLSF), with depths of remediation ranging from one to twelve feet. Out of the total area to be remediated included are: approximately 3,700 square feet was delineated as BVW (Bordering Vegetated Wetlands), 300 square feet identified as Land Under Waterbodies and Waterways, and 102 linear feet of Bank (3000 s.f. +/-). will be disturbed. Virtually the entire remainder of the site is located within the 100-year floodplain and 200 foot Riverfront Area for Unkamet Brook.

b) Excavation limits are based on soil boring samples collected by Arcadis-BBL, Inc. The remediation work anticipated for this site is under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup and the removal limits have been approved by the MADEP. All work (clearing, excavation, restoration, ect.) has been designed and will be completed with as little impact to the environment as possible. To achieve the applicable cleanup standards, PCB-containing soils will be physically removed from the site, and will be followed by the placement of an equal volume of backfill material and subsequent surface restoration. Excavation as the remediation technology was selected for several reasons, including:

- The need to physically remove the affected materials from the site (so that the remaining, post-remediation soils achieve the cleanup standards).
- The proven and reliable nature of soil excavation as a remediation technique.
- The ability to control the remediation in terms of removal accuracy, response to adverse/inclement conditions, limiting disruptions to the remaining site (since no significant site set-up is required), and schedule.

Other potential remediation techniques are not considered applicable for this project. For instance,

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the placement of a cap or surface cover over the affected areas would require the placement of fill materials within a regulated Wetland Resource Area (likely requiring disruptions in the remediation area as well as nearby areas to provide for compensatory flood storage and habitat restoration), while other techniques (e.g., treatment or stabilization) would not be feasible for this smaller volume of materials in terms of effectiveness, impacts to the site for mobilization and set-up, cost, or timing.

c) Prior to excavation, A double layer of siltfence will be installed as an erosion control measure around all areas to be remediated. Excavation/Restoration will be performed in as short a time as possible. The double layer of siltfence will remain in place until all potential sources of erosion have stabilized and the conservation commission approves its removal.

All soil removal will be in accordance with the GE Remedial Action work Plan and all relevant state and federal regulations. All excavated soils will be loaded into properly licensed trucks, properly identified and manifested for transport to a regulated offsite facility.