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TO: <u>R1Housatonic@epa.gov</u> FROM: Town of Lee DATE: February 22, 2023 RE: Plan for Implementing Future Projects or Work Comments

The Town of Lee would like to provide the following comments/public input on the "Plan for Implementing Future Projects or Work".

1. The town requests that baseline tests for PCB's be performed on the town's surface water supply on October Mountain. In addition, we request that the reservoir be tested during and after the removal of PCB's from the Housatonic River/construction of the UDF.

2. The town would like to see continued investigation of bio-remediation and biorestoration opportunities for the proposed UDF as well as testing remediation technologies on materials dredged from the river.

3. The town suggests that further cleanup be performed in properties bordering the river, specifically locations that are maintained by the town such as the catch basin retention ponds at the intersections of Center/East Center St and Columbia/Greylock St.

4. In Section 3.1.2.d, it says, "If GE determines that it is not obligated to conduct response actions, GE will, within 30 days of receiving the notice from EPA, advise EPA of the reasons for that conclusion." Is there an opportunity for the EPA to approve or deny GE's decision or does GE simply make a decision? We request that the EPA have the option to deny these decisions.