

TOWN OF LEE, BOARD OF HEALTH  
LETTER FROM ANDREW T. SILFER TO LEE BOARD OF HEALTH DATED OCTOBER 27, 2022  
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Dear Mr. Wespiser and Mr. Wilusz:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 11, 2022. Your letter raises multiple legal and scientific issues regarding the negotiated and signed Rest of River Agreement. We understand these issues have already been the subject of correspondence between the Board of Health and EPA and, if there are further discussions, they should properly be between the government agencies – EPA and the Board of Health.

As you know, the Rest of River agreement between EPA and GE was negotiated in good faith with and also signed by leaders of six communities and local environmental groups. The Agreement provides for a more comprehensive cleanup than previously contemplated and on an accelerated schedule. The Upland Disposal Facility is designed as a state-of-the-art facility that includes a double liner under the landfill, leachate collection, a groundwater monitoring network, and a multi-layer low permeability engineered cap/cover on top of the landfill. Under the Agreement, the higher PCB containing material will be shipped out of state and the material placed in the UDF will have an estimated overall average PCB concentration of 20 to 25 milligrams per kilogram (or parts per-million (ppm)), well below the 50 ppm federal criterion for commercial PCB landfills.

The signatories to the agreement have worked diligently to ensure that this cleanup can proceed for the benefit of the river and local communities with appropriate protections for public health and the environment.

Sincerely,



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