

MASSACHUSETTS SUBCOUNCIL
of the
HOUSATONIC RIVER TRUSTEE COUNCIL

United States, et al., v. General Electric Company,
Civil Action Nos. 99-30225-MAP; 99-30226-MAP; and 99-30227-MAP (D. Mass.)

RESOLUTION # 40

Release of Funds in the amount of \$5,101.61
for MassDEP
Restoration Planning and Oversight Activities

1. *Whereas*, the United States Department of Commerce, acting by and through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (“NOAA”), the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting by and through its Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (“EEA”) as administered by its Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), the State of Connecticut, acting by and through its Department of Environmental Protection (“CTDEP”), the United States Department of the Interior (“DOI”), acting by and through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (“USFWS”), are the four Natural Resource Trustee agencies (“Trustees”) responsible for restoration in the Housatonic River Environment with respect to the above-referenced case;
2. *Whereas*, the Trustees have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) effective January 30, 2002, to coordinate activities for the above-referenced case; and pursuant to Section VII Paragraph B (1) and Resolution #4 to the MOA, a Trustee SubCouncil for the Geographic Region of Massachusetts (“MA SubCouncil”) has been established, consisting of two voting members from the Mass. Trustee and the Federal Trustee agencies, EEA and USFWS, and non-voting Ex Officio Delegates;
3. *Whereas*, the sums recovered for the restoration activities, in the civil action referred to above, are being held in the Natural Resource Damages Assessment and Restoration (NRDAR) Fund, Account #0251 (Housatonic River - MA Restoration), administered by the DOI and jointly managed by the MA SubCouncil; and
4. *Whereas*, the EEA requests that the MA SubCouncil authorize the release of \$5,101.61 from the DOI NRDAR Account #0251 (Housatonic River - MA Restoration) to support the MassDEP’s participation in MA SubCouncil activities from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015;
5. *NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*, that, after a thorough review of the proposed uses for such sums, the MA SubCouncil authorizes the release of funds in the amount of \$5,101.61 from the DOI NRDAR Account #0251 (Housatonic River - MA Restoration) to the MassDEP to support the MassDEPs’ participation in the restoration planning activities of the MA SubCouncil. These funds will be transferred and allocated to the EEA NRD Trust Account # 2200-2676, to the attention of Kristin LaCroix, MassDEP Director of Budgetary and Legislative Affairs.

CONCURRED IN by the following who are duly authorized:

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FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

9/15/15

Date

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FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Date

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Bruce Nesslage, NRDAR Manager, DOI

FROM: Karen Pelto, Lead Administrative Trustee

RE: **DOI NRDAR Disbursement Request: \$5,101.61**
GE/Housatonic River NRD: Massachusetts Restoration Account # 0251
Resolution #40: Release of Funds for MassDEP

DATE: September 11, 2015

As Lead Administrative Trustee for the GE/Housatonic River NRD case, I am requesting a disbursement from the DOI NRDAR Massachusetts Restoration Account (Project # 0251) for the purpose of reimbursing the Commonwealth of Massachusetts restoration planning and oversight costs. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection seeks reimbursement for GE-Housatonic restoration activities for the time period from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 as specified in Resolution # 40 and discussed below.

TOTAL = \$5,101.61

MassDEP costs for State Fiscal Year 2015 were comprised of salary, travel, fringe and indirect costs for one Commonwealth employee.

Salary

Salary costs are those costs incurred through the Commonwealth's participation in GE-Housatonic restoration activities. Fringe, payroll tax, and indirect cost rates for MassDEP have been applied and are included in the total cost shown in the table below. Fringe benefit rates are calculated annually by the Massachusetts Office of the Comptroller and approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Indirect costs are the sum of department overhead costs, as determined in the Indirect Cost Rate Calculation prepared by the Comptroller and the department's allocated share of statewide costs as set out in the Statewide Cost Allocation Plan. The assessment of fringe benefits on Federal funds is mandated by section 6B of Chapter 29 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Section 5D of the same law extends that assessment to all

other funds of the Commonwealth except the General Fund. Indirect costs are assessed against all federal, non-budgeted special revenue, and trust fund accounts unless an explicit exemption applies.

Travel

Travel costs are actual costs incurred by MassDEP representatives for attendance at meetings of the Trustee Council, its subcommittees, or related MA SubCouncil activities, such as site visits and inspections.

NRD Codes FY15 Housatonic Restoration Costs - MassDEP			Fy 2015 Fringe & Indirect Amounts				.1212 of		DEP		
			0.2727	0.1212	0.0159	UM		0.2064			
			Fringe & Indirect Charges								
Employee Name	Rate	Hours	Salary	Fringe D09	CTR E16	UM D09	CTR/UM E16	DEP E90	Total Fringe & Indirect	Total Costs	
Pelto, Karen I	36.81	18.00	\$ 662.58	\$ 180.69	\$ 80.30	\$ 10.54	\$ 23.18	\$ 174.05	\$ 468.75	1,131.33	
	37.73	57.75	\$ 2,178.91	\$ 594.19	\$ 264.08	\$ 34.64	\$ 76.21	\$ 672.37	\$ 1,541.50	3,720.41	
Total		75.75	2,841.49	774.87	344.39	45.18	99.39	746.42	2,010.25	4,851.74	

Travel

11/25/2014	127.97
12/2/2014	121.90
	249.87
TOTAL STAFF AND TRAVEI	5,101.61