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Ms. Susan Svirsky
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Dear Ms. Svirsky:

Berkshire Natural Resources Council is disappointed by the failure of General Electric's proposed Corrective Measures Study to even consider alternatives to the traditional remedies of removal, capping or passive monitoring of contaminants in the river and floodplain.

While we understand that some of the emerging treatment technologies may not have been proven on a large-scale such as the rest of the river, surely the public deserves as part of the CMS a comprehensive discussion and analysis of the potential benefits and drawbacks of alternative approaches. As it is, GE appears to be dismissing consideration of alternatives almost out of hand. That may be an unfair characterization of the situation, but without a rigorous public analysis of alternatives interested parties have no evidence to support GE's position that such alternatives are inapplicable.

We would respectfully request that EPA require consideration of alternative technologies in the CMS, so that the potential advantages or disadvantages of such approaches may be weighed against those of the more traditional approaches that GE is willing to consider.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely yours,



Tad Ames
President