

Exhibit 1 – List of Amici

The organizations listed below join in the amicus brief in support of off-site disposal submitted by the Housatonic Rest of River Municipal Committee. All amici have spoken at multiple EPA-sponsored public meetings on the Rest of River cleanup over many years.

Those organizations that are listed in **italics** have formally submitted comments into the Rest of River Administrative Record. Those organizations noted with an **asterisk** are longstanding members of the EPA's Housatonic River Citizens Coordinating Council.

Housatonic Rest of River Municipal Committee (the Committee)

The Committee is composed of all five towns in the Massachusetts segment of the Rest of River, including the towns of Lenox, Lee, Stockbridge, Great Barrington and Sheffield. The towns in the Committee are formally organized as one entity under an Intergovernmental Agreement to actively participate in the EPA permitting and appeals process and, where deemed necessary, participate in the other administrative and/or court proceedings to protect the health and welfare of the environment and the people within the five Rest of River communities. In its letter of October 8, 2014 the Committee formally and strongly supported EPA's requirement that all removed, contaminated sediment and floodplain soil be disposed of at an existing hazardous waste landfill.

Berkshire County League of Sportsmen (BCLS)*

The BCLS is an umbrella organization representing 10 regional clubs with just over 3,200 member sportsmen and conservationists, all of whom have a shared interest in preserving our proud outdoor heritage and protecting the Berkshires' rich natural resources. The Housatonic Rest of River in Massachusetts and Connecticut is an unusually endowed natural resource, serving as a major flyway for migrating birds, including game waterfowl, and a fisheries resource offering outstanding catch-and-release fishing. Hunting and fishing along the river corridor will be severely curtailed during the 13 or more years of the PCB cleanup. BCLS members have spoken at numerous EPA-sponsored public meetings.

Berkshire Environmental Action Team, Inc. (BEAT)*

The mission of the Berkshire Environmental Action Team (BEAT) is to work with citizens to protect the environment for wildlife in support of the natural systems that support us all. As noted in BEAT's Petition for Review (EAB Appeal # RCRA 16-05, filed 11-23-16), the organization has been participating in the EPA-led Citizens Coordinating Council meetings since 2003 and has submitted numerous comments and spoken at numerous meetings with the EPA on this site and on this permit.

Berkshire Natural Resources Council (BNRC)

BNRC is a land conservation organization that protects and manages 21,000 acres of ecologically, scenically and recreationally significant land in Berkshire County, approximately 80% of which lies in the Housatonic River Watershed. BNRC is an interested party as its holdings include fee simple properties and conservation restrictions along the Rest of River, and in close proximity to the proposed "on-site" disposal areas. Since the early 1990s BNRC has

attended and spoken at numerous public meetings about the PCB cleanup of the Housatonic River, including formal support for off-site disposal of contaminated soils and sediment at an existing licensed facility (letter commenting on the RCMS dated 1-31-11).

Berkshire Regional Planning Commission (BRPC)*

BRPC is the region's state-designated Regional Planning Agency for the 32 communities in Berkshire County. Its mission is to provide leadership and assistance to the County's municipalities, organizations and citizens in achieving County-wide inter-relationships, prosperity, opportunities, quality of life, strength and vibrancy. In commenting on the draft remedy permit BRPC formally endorsed EPA's requirement that GE dispose of all contaminated sediment and floodplain soil at an existing, licensed hazardous waste facility, utilizing rail if possible (letter dated October 9, 2014).

Housatonic Valley Association (HVA)*

The HVA, founded in 1941, is dedicated to preserving and protecting the natural character and environmental health of the Housatonic River and its watershed, including nearly 2,000 square miles within western Massachusetts, western Connecticut and eastern New York. HVA has been involved in the public permitting process for several years as a sitting member of the Citizens Coordinating Council, and formally submitted comments to the EPA on its draft remedy permit on October 24, 2014, in which it specifically supported EPA's directive for off-site disposal of contaminated sediment and soil and to maximize the use of rail for transport of waste.

Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc.*

Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc. ("Mass Audubon"), founded in 1896, is among the oldest and largest private non-profit conservation organizations in New England. Mass Audubon's mission is to protect the nature of Massachusetts for people and wildlife. With 125,000 members, Mass Audubon stewards nearly 37,000 acres of conservation land, provides educational programs for 225,000 children and adults annually, and advocates for sound environmental policies at the local, state, and federal levels of government. Mass Audubon's statewide network of 100 wildlife sanctuaries welcomes visitors of all ages and serves as the base for its conservation, education, and advocacy work.