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Philadelphia District

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Public Notice

Public Notice No. NAP-2017-00135-84	Date July 18, 2022 (Extension)
Application No. NAP-2017-00135-84	File No. NAP-2017-00135-84

In Reply Refer to:
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This Public Notice (PN) is related to an earlier Corps of Engineers PN identified as NAP-2017-00135-84, published by the Philadelphia District on June 17, 2022. The Philadelphia District has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

The comment period for public notice NAP-2017-00135-84 is being extended in response to a request citing the unprecedented scope of this application. The revised comment period will close 60 days from the date of the original public notice, terminating on August 16, 2022. The purpose of the PN is to solicit comments and recommendations from the public concerning issuance of a Department of the Army permit for the work described briefly below. Please refer to the PN published on June 17, 2022 for the full PN, including plans.

APPLICANT: Ocean Wind LLC

AGENT: HDR Engineering Inc.

WATERWAY: Atlantic Ocean, Barnegat Bay, Oyster Creek, Crook Horn Creek

ACTIVITY: The applicant proposes to install and maintain an offshore wind energy facility and the required supporting infrastructure. The project includes up to 98 wind turbine generators (WTGs), up to three offshore alternating current (AC) substations, array cables linking the individual turbines to the offshore substation(s), one substation interconnector cable linking two offshore substations to each other, offshore export cables, an onshore export cable system which includes underground cables, two onshore substations, and connections to the existing electrical grid in New Jersey.

LOCATION: The WTGs, offshore substations, array cables, and a substation interconnector cable will be located in federal waters approximately 13 nautical miles southeast of Atlantic City. The offshore export cables will be buried below the seabed surface within federal and state waters. The onshore export cables, substations, and grid connections will be located in Ocean and Cape May Counties, New Jersey.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Project is to develop a wind driven energy generation facility within the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) Lease Area (OCS-A 0498)

that meets the need for competitively priced renewable energy and additional capacity in accordance with state and regional renewable energy demands and goals.

BOEM is the lead federal agency for this project, responsible for coordinating review in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. Pursuant to 40 CFR 1501.8, the United States Army Corps of Engineers Philadelphia District (Corps of Engineers) is acting as a cooperating agency with BOEM to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). A draft of this document has been published in the federal register and can be viewed at <https://www.boem.gov/sites/default/files/documents/renewable-energy/state-activities/OceanWind1-DEIS.pdf>. Comments on the draft EIS may be submitted directly to BOEM at <https://www.regulations.gov/search/docket?filter=ocean%20wind>. The EIS will be used to support BOEM's decision whether to approve a Construction and Operations Plan (available at <https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/state-activities/ocean-wind-1>) as well as the permit decision by the Corps of Engineers.

Comments on the proposed work should be submitted, in writing, by August 16, 2022 to the District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District, Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107-3390 or via email to napregulatory@usace.army.mil with "Ocean Wind LLC" in the subject line.

Additional information concerning this permit application may be obtained by contacting Brian Anthony via email at <mailto:brian.r.anthony@usace.army.mil?subject=NAP-2017-00135-84> or writing to this office at the above address.

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