

State of Maine
Master Score Sheet

RFA# 202507101					
Maine BlueTech Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing					
Bidder Name:		AMOG Consulting	AudiSea	Bigelow Lab	Biodiversity Research Institute
Proposed Cost:		\$93,640	\$69,940	\$105,000	\$115,963
Scoring Sections	Points Available				
Eligibility	Pass/ Fail	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Section I: Qualifications and Experience	25	22	14	17	25
Section II: Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	27	12	19	37
Section III: Budget	25	25	16	13	23
Section IV: Cost Sharing	10	10	0	5	5
TOTAL	<u>100</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>90</u>

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Bidder Name:		Crondall Energy	Dublin Offshore Technology	Geo SubSea	Gulf of Maine Research Institute
Proposed Cost:		\$96,285	\$119,500	\$179,800	\$96,805
Scoring Sections	Points Available				
Eligibility	Pass/ Fail	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Section I: Qualifications and Experience	25	19	18	25	18
Section II: Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	31	31	38	24
Section III: Budget	25	19	24	22	19
Section IV: Cost Sharing	10	5	5	10	10
TOTAL	<u>100</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>71</u>

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Bidder Name:		Juice Robotics	Normandeau Associates	NREL	Orpheus
Proposed Cost:		\$77,473	\$116,679.50	\$120,000	\$84,000
Scoring Sections	Points Available				
Eligibility	Pass/ Fail	Pass	Pass	Pass	Fail – Incomplete Application
Section I: Qualifications and Experience	25	22	25	19	
Section II: Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	18	29	24	
Section III: Budget	25	13	22	12	
Section IV: Cost Sharing	10	5	10	0	
TOTAL	<u>100</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>55</u>	

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Bidder Name:		Spoor	UMaine (Brady et al.)	UMaine (Estapa)	UMaine (Verma)	University of New England
Proposed Cost:		\$128,000	\$67,216	\$76,481	\$109,599	\$74,995
Scoring Sections	Points Available					
Eligibility	Pass/ Fail	Fail				Fail – Incomplete Application
Section I: Qualifications and Experience	25		22	24	24	
Section II: Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40		28	27	36	
Section III: Budget	25		13	25	25	
Section IV: Cost Sharing	10		5	5	10	
TOTAL	<u>100</u>		<u>68</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>95</u>	

Award Justification Statement
RFA#202507101 Maine BlueTech Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing

I. Summary

The Maine Department of Energy Resources (formerly the Governor's Energy Office) issued Request for Applications (RFA) #202507101 Maine Blue Tech Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing on August 4, 2025. Amendment #1 and a Question & Answer Summary was posted on September 3, 2025. Amendment #2 was posted on September 19, 2025. Applications were due on October 8, 2025. Seventeen entities responded to the RFA offered for \$380,000 total for one to five projects.

II. Evaluation Process

Responses were provided to the RFA Coordinator on October 9, 2025, and then distributed by the RFA Coordinator to the three additional members of the evaluation team for individual review. The evaluation team members met for the Team Evaluation during several sessions during October and November 2025. Evaluators were selected for their qualifications and expertise related to offshore wind, innovation, monitoring, and information technology. Two reviewers from the Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT) evaluated the Technical Assessment forms required in the RFA. The OIT reviewers reviewed the Technical Assessment forms and followed the same sequence of individual reviews and Team Evaluation. To conclude the process, the Technical Assessment team met with the evaluation team to finalize the scores.

Three applications were not evaluated. One application did not meet the Eligibility requirements in the RFA. Two applications omitted the required Technical Assessments per the RFA.

III. Qualifications & Experience

The three conditionally awarded applicants received high scores for their Organization Qualification and Experience based on their statement of qualifications, experience testing innovative BlueTech or monitoring approaches in coastal waters, safety experience working in dynamic nearshore environments, and experience with floating offshore wind innovation and monitoring needs. The conditionally awarded applicants also provided examples of relevant project experience specific to the grant opportunity in the RFA.

IV. Proposed Services and Technical Assessment

The three conditionally awarded applicants received high scores for their Proposed Services and Technical Assessment by demonstrating an understanding of the RFA

scope and objectives, targeting priorities identified by the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium as listed in the RFA, identifying technologies to be integrated into the floating offshore wind demonstration project, articulating the additive value of the project, clearly describing the proposed project, and completing the Technical Assessment required by the RFA.

V. Budget

The three conditionally awarded applicants provided cost-efficient applications that included clear budget narratives and received high scores.

VI. Cost Sharing

The awarded applicants included clear cost sharing documented by Letters of Commitment.

VII. Conclusion

The DOER received many high-quality applications that were responsive to the offering and included a variety of proposed projects consistent with the RFA. For this offering, the RFA evaluation team has selected Geo SubSea, the University of Maine (Dr. Verma), and Biodiversity Research Institute as the conditionally awarded applicants.



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AMOG Consulting Inc.
Attn.: Clare Thomas
770 South Post Oak Lane, Suite 310
Houston TX, 77056

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFA#202507101 Maine BlueTech
Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing

Dear Clare Thomas:

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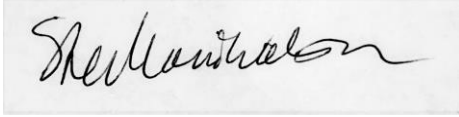
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AudiSea
Attn.: Yair Yanovice
Shimon Ben Zvi 33
Givatayim, Tel Aviv district, 5363101

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Dear Yair Yanovice:

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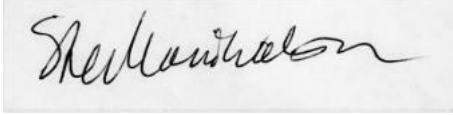
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Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences
Attn.: David Ernst
60 Bigelow Dr
East Boothbay, ME, 04544

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Dear David Ernst:

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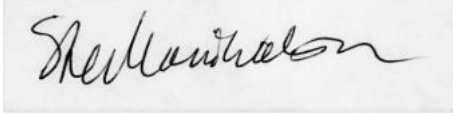
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Biodiversity Research Institute
Attn.: Wing Goodale, Ph.D.
276 Canco Rd
Portland, ME 04102

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFA#202507101 Maine BlueTech
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Dear Wing Goodale, Ph.D.:

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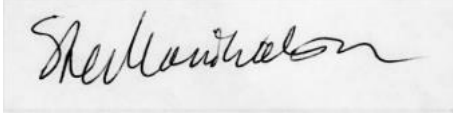
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Crondall Energy Consultants Ltd
Attn.: Joel Maisey
Innovation Centre, 2 Venture Road
Southampton, Hampshire, SO16 7NP, UK

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Dear Joel Maisey:

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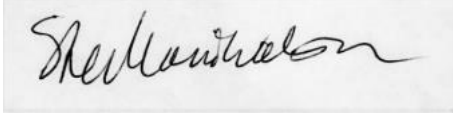
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Dublin Offshore Technology
Attn.: Danny Golden
57 Fitzwilliam Square N, Dublin 2, D02CP02
Dublin, Ireland

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Dear Danny Golden:

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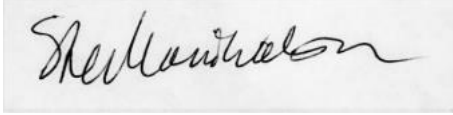
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Geo SubSea LLC
Attn.: Jeff Gardner
160 Camp Bethel Road
Haddam, CT 06438

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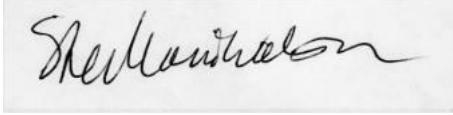
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Gulf of Maine Research Institute
Attn.: Graham Sherwood
250 Commercial St
Portland, Maine 04101

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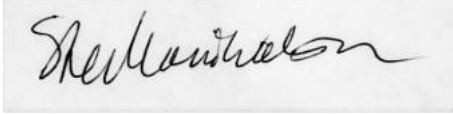
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17 Receiving Road
Narragansett RI, 02906

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Normandeau Associates, Inc.
Attn.: Greg Forcey
13100 Tech City Circle, Suite 500
Alachua, FL 32615

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFA#202507101 Maine BlueTech
Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing

Dear Greg Forcey:

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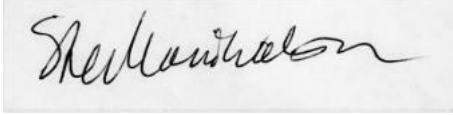
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Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC, Managing and Operating Contractor for the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

Attn.: Leah Sirkis
19001 W. 119th Avenue
Arvada, CO 80007

SUBJECT: Notice of Conditional Contract Award(s) under RFA#202507101 Maine BlueTech Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing

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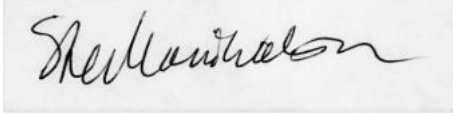
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Orpheus Ocean Inc
Attn.: Jake Russell
1265 Purchase St
New Bedford, MA 02740

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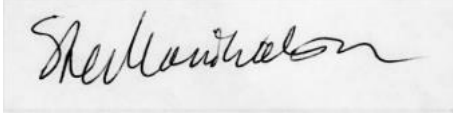
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Spoor AS
Attn.: Philip Larsen-Lund
Nedre Slottsgate 5
0157 Oslo

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Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing

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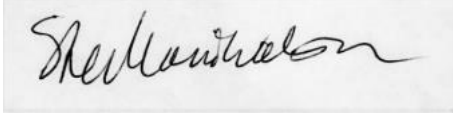
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University of Maine System acting through the University of Maine
Attn.: Damian C. Brady
193 Clarks Cove Rd
Walpole, ME 04753

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Dear Damian C. Brady:

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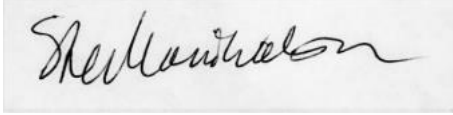
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Margaret Estapa
Darling Marine Center
193 Clarks Cove Road
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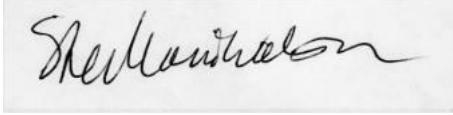
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Attn.: Dr. Amrit Shankar Verma
Room 254, Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center
Orono, ME 04469

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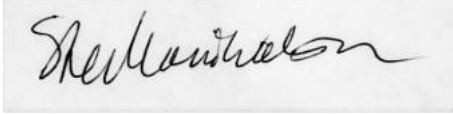
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University of New England
Attn.: Nicholas D. Gere
11 Hills Beach Road
Biddeford, ME 04005

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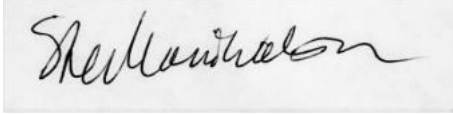
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SUMMARY PAGE

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Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	22
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	27
Budget	25	25
Cost Sharing	10	10
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>84</u>

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As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	22

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

- AMOG has provided technical engineering services to the offshore wind (OSW) energy sector for over 30 years, with expertise in: concept definition, metocean studies, site selection, hydrodynamic analysis, structural analysis and design, mooring system design installation, integrity management, instrumentation and monitoring system design, sensor development, software development, and project management.
- 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1: RWE, as part of the TetraSpar Consortium
 1. Demonstration of AMOG and sowento's floating wind monitoring tool, Ozea, using the full-scale floating wind TetraSpar demonstrator data in an offline / asynchronous fashion
 2. Relevant and demonstrates expertise in OSW environment
 - Project 2: OMV New Zealand
 1. Assessed vessel service history and provisioned a reliable system, Smart Marine Integrity Checker (SMIC), which includes automated fatigue tracking and continuous mooring integrity monitoring
 2. Although specific to floating oil and gas structures, project is relevant and demonstrates expertise in the OSW environment.
 - Project 3: Hexicon Group
 1. Performed the integrated wind turbine controller design for the "TwinHub" two-turbine floating offshore wind system by Hexicon
 2. Relevant and demonstrates expertise in OSW environment
- 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: sowento GmbH
 1. sowento is a specialist wind energy engineering consulting and technology advisor with experience conducting pre-Front End Engineering Design (pre-FEED), as well as FEED turbine controller design and ILA projects with various substructure designers

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2. sowento will be responsible for: Digital twin model build-up, Digital twin verification and validation, Kalman filter tuning for State of Maine floating offshore wind technology (FOWT), and Digital twin software maintenance
3. The collaboration between AMOG and sowento is promising in that it will leverage each organization's skillsets
- Subcontractor 2: The Carbon Trust (CT)
 1. The Carbon Trust has extensive experience in floating offshore wind (FOW), particularly from the perspective of the users (developers and operators) and with respect decision support systems and industry adoption strategies.
 - a. CT's global expertise will be helpful
 2. The Carbon Trust will be engaged in an advisory capacity to support the development and implementation of Ozea.
- Subcontractor 3: AMOG Pty Ltd
 1. AMOG Pty Ltd (Australia) is a subcontract of AMOG Consulting Inc (USA) that oversees development of the SMIC Oil and Gas asset integrity monitoring software and the Ozea floating wind monitoring software.
 2. AMOG Pty Ltd will be undertaking project management, data analysis, Ozea software backend and frontend set-up on cloud infrastructure, live integration into demonstrator data feeds, Ozea tool Verification and Validation, security assessments and maintenance, and primary authorship of reports.
3. Organizational Chart
 - Included
4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	27

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- Deploy Ozea to achieve mooring load prediction, mooring fatigue tracking, and mooring line failure detection

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:

1. The system's scalable design supports cost-effective expansion of OSW infrastructure, helping the state advance its clean energy goals. Advanced monitoring also helps to improve safety, asset lifespan, and reduce operational maintenance costs.

- a. Demonstrated good understanding of challenges related to OSW in the Gulf of Maine (GoM)

- b. Digital twin is a good use of sophisticated technique

2. This project offers a holistic, low-instrumentation monitoring system and is currently the only commercial product incorporating an Extended Kalman Filter (EKF) as presented by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) in 2023.

- a. NREL review is positive

- b. Funding enables technology/ software combination to reach Technology Readiness Level (TRL) 7

- Risk Identification & Mitigation:

1. Technical, commercial, and Health, Safety, and Environment (HSE) risks addressed with mitigation strategies identified

- Description of Proposed Activity:

1. First Stage: Offline historical analysis and modelling

2. Second Stage: Live data integration into dashboard

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Bidder will not be adding additional instrumentation, but using existing instrumentation

- Bidder listed support from the University of Maine (UMaine), which would require a significant amount of time from UMaine. This was not

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addressed in the budget, and could present potential risks (e.g. delaying project timelines, requiring additional funding outside of budget, etc.

4. Plan for Access for Maintenance
 - Information Technology (IT) Access and Network Integration
 - Live Data Feed Maintenance
 - User Access and Authentication
 - Data Storage and Archiving
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Temporary Access to Online Demonstration User Interface
 1. Access provided for the duration of the annual license period.
Does this mean annual period of testing or annual license period that was purchased?
 - Ozea Software as a Service Deployment
 - A demonstration dashboard the hosted on the bidder's webpage, providing visualizations and summaries for stakeholders (but not the public)
 1. Which users or stakeholders would benefit from this dashboard? The State, Advanced Structures and Composites Center (ASCC), developers, researchers, insurers, or other stakeholders?
 2. Multiple activities require data access, implying more potential for complexity or risk related accessing data in a timely manner.
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Two-step evaluation plan identified
7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Not relevant for this proposal as bidder is not looking to deploy their own technology.
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Presentation on Ozea Monitoring Solution and Offline Analysis Results
 - Kick-off meeting, monthly check-ins, and quarterly consortium meetings with the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office [GEO]), UMaine, and others
 - Two virtual updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
 - White papers and presentations at industry forums such as the World Forum Offshore Wind (WFO)
 - Abstract submissions to relevant conferences (e.g., American Offshore Wind Conferences).
9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
10. Reports and Publications

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- Two technical notes, a final report, and publication of results (excluding proprietary methodologies)
- Good plan, but would be interesting to focus more on the levelized cost of energy (LCOE) impact and value adds from their technology.

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Acknowledged

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	25

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$93,640
2. Matches budget table which is categorized by stage and (sub)contractor
3. Detailed, concise, and reasonable for amount of work proposed

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	10

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
1. Proposes \$67,100 in in-kind cost share
 2. Letters of Commitment documenting in-kind cost share contributions from AMOG and sowento

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Majority of controls were not compliant and lacked documentation. Vendor is leaning heavily into getting waivers. Deployment Certification and Accessibility compliance might impact overall cost.		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor is ISO 27001 compliant. Vendor will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor did not mention complying with FOAA.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing.

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	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor states not applicable.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor states not applicable.
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<u>U.S.C.</u> <u>Chapter 123,</u> <u>§§ 2721 –</u> <u>2725</u>	<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Provided a link to their homepage.	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor states Azure Cloud. No documentation provided.	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor is ISO 27001 compliant but no documentation provided. Explanation does not talk about hosting provider.	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor is ISO 27001 compliant. Will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided. Explanation does not talk about hosting provider.	
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor is ISO 27001 compliant. No documentation provided.	
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor supports the compliance but no evidence provided.	
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor said they will comply at the time of the contract signing.</i>
A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not meet the requirement.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor ISO 27001 compliant. Will apply for a waiver at contract time.</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions key components but didn't provide any evidence.</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor noted control. No commitment to comply.</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor said they will comply at contract time.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions key components of procedure but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Partial compliance. Vendor only supports Active Directory.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing, but it may impact budget.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they cannot comply within the scope of proposal.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided that supports compliance.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor noted control. No commitment to comply.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor noted control. No commitment to comply.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.</i>

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CSP15	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but did not supply supporting evidence. Will be agreed before contract signing.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: AI not used as part of solution.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No site to site VPN in use for this project.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states not applicable.
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor committed to the best of their knowledge.
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
N3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
N4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
N5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
N6	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
N7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.
N8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation: Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.</i>
N9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation: Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.</i>
N10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation: Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.</i>
N11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation: Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.</i>
N12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation: Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.</i>
N13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation: Compliant with ISO 27001 and will apply for a waiver at contract time. No documentation provided.</i>
N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Explanation is irrelevant.</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	14
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	12
Budget	25	16
Cost Sharing	10	0
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>42</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	14

Evaluation Team Comments:

- I. Qualifications and Experience
 - AudiSea is an internationally-based marine-technology startup that applies automated artificial intelligence (AI) algorithms for detection, classification, and source separation for environmental assessments
 - Did not address the requirement of being a small business, as per the Request for Applications (RFA)
 - Team demonstrates strong expertise in marine sound
1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - All three of the following projects touch on characterizing marine mammal acoustics and underwater sound which are relevant to the topics identified by the RFA
 - Project 1: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries
 1. In partnership with NOAA through the Deep Voice Foundation, developed an advanced AI-based acoustic classifier that can distinguish between the North Atlantic right whale and the humpback whale
 2. Project demonstrates positive and relevant experience
 - Project 2: The United States Navy, together with 401 Tech Bridge, Maritime Blue, and Quiet Sound (international Wazoku challenge)
 1. Collaboratively developed technology and integrated hydrophones and above-water cameras to create an automated detection system that provides continuous (24/7) vessel strike warnings to protect endangered whale populations
 2. Indicates the US Navy a client – was this the case?
 - Project 3: Bazaruto Center for Scientific Studies (BCSS), Mozambique
 1. The Bazaruto Center for Scientific Studies (BCSS) used the bidder's acoustic monitoring technology and AI-based detection algorithms to monitor humpback whales
2. Subcontractors

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- Subcontractor 1: Ecodetect
 1. Ecodetect is an advanced marine science and technology company that develops AI-driven marine monitoring systems for detecting wildlife and man-made objects near offshore infrastructure using underwater imaging data.
 2. Ecodetect will be responsible for: procuring and deploying marine sensors and processing these data using an advanced AI engine
- Subcontractor 2: Environmental Projects Integration (EPI)
 1. EPI is a marine operations and environmental services provider with expertise in safe mobilization of buoys, moorings, hydrophones, and sensor arrays. EPI will be responsible for supporting the deployment, verification, and long-term upkeep of the monitoring system.
- 3. Organizational Chart
 - Not included; only list of individuals and their biographies.
- 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
- 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Incomplete

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Proposed Project and Technical Assessment**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	12

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- Ecodetect will deploy acoustic imaging sensors to identify, track and perform behavioral analysis of both non-vocalizing and vocalizing marine wildlife near the floating offshore wind (OSW) platform. AudiSea will assess noise levels associated with human activity near the wind turbine.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:

1. Proposal identifies cost efficiency, innovation, ecosystem protection, and complementary existing site instrumentation as benefits
2. Responsive to the Request for Applications (RFA) with a focus on underwater noise and sound

- Risk Identification and Mitigation:

1. Risks addressed with mitigation strategies identified

- Description of Proposed Activity

1. Lack of detail in this section makes it difficult to determine if their algorithms will be able to produce the insights described. However, bidder does include a table demonstrating performance of algorithm in recognizing particular species which is helpful.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Deployment activities well-documented
- Proposal suggests use of rope which poses permitting concerns (federal permitting is an excluded activity per the RFA)
- Included reference to federal incidental take authorization under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) which is high risk and specifically excluded from the RFA
- The University of Maine (UMaine) is listed in the task list to procure the buoy and mooring system, but there was no associated line item included in the budget for this.

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- Routine maintenance includes monthly retrieval of the buoy to clean from biofouling and entanglement of marine debris
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Proposes to use the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) and the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) frameworks, which is positive
 - Data retrieval includes retrieving acoustic data from buoy after week one and then monthly
 - Bidder proposes to adopt metadata standards and use National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC) repository guidelines for non-proprietary data. However, NOWRDC does not have repository guidelines or archives for repository data. Is the bidder referencing the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) archive system?
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Not included
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Establish protocols for vessel access, hydrophone installation, and marine wildlife encounters, consistent with MMPA “Do Not Disturb” guidance and input from the Department of Marine Resources (DMR)
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Weekly, monthly, and quarterly reports to the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor’s Energy Office [GEO]) and UMaine
 - Semi-annual virtual update to Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board, DOER, and UMaine
 - Final report and meeting with DOER, UMaine, Advisory Board, DMR, NOAA, and ROSA/RWSC
 - Content column is well-detailed
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Included in section 8
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - No reference to this in task list, but allocated \$3,000 in budget for legal agreements

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	16

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$69,940
2. Budget narrative and budget table generally match up, but \$3,000 discrepancy between what's described in the proposal and what's allocated in the budget.
3. Adequately breaks down different expenses associated with part of the categories, although could benefit from more detail.
4. Did not include personnel rates

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	0

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
 - 1. No cost share proposed

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence. Additional evidence would be needed: • A high-level architectural diagram for the proposed solution • A data flow diagram • A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor did not address compliance.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor did not address compliance.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: No PII information will be collected or processed.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: No PII information will be collected or processed.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No PII information will be collected or processed.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Explanation: No PII information will be collected or processed.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Explanation: Will not use FTI.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123.</u>	Explanation: Will not use FTI.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No personal information will be collected.

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	<u>§§ 2721 – 2725</u>	
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Provided a list of detailed service providers with URLs.	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor provided the SOC 2 documentation and ISO certification.	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor provided the SOC 2 documentation and ISO certification.	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor provided the SOC 2 documentation and ISO certification.	
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not address requirements of solution.	
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not address requirements of solution.	
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Explanation addresses data formats but not SLAs.	
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response doesn't address the requirement.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Provided Google SOC 2 documentation and ISO certification.</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response did not address the requirement.</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response did not address the requirement.</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response did not address the requirement.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response did not address the requirement.</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response did not address the requirement.</i>
CSP3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor response did not address the requirement.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor did not address the requirement.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>

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CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no supporting evidence.

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CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Explanation does not address the question.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Explanation does not address the question.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Explanation does not address the question.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>SOC 2 and ISO attestations provided. Response does not address the question.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response did not address the requirement.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated staff is trained in compliance and security. No evidence provided.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided no evidence.
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentioned some key components but provided no evidence.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Provided additional information on maintenance and monitoring.</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	17
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	19
Budget	25	13
Cost Sharing	10	5
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>54</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	17

Evaluation Team Comments:

- I. Qualifications and Experience
 - Missing brief statement of qualifications as required by the Request for Applications (RFA)
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - The following local project examples demonstrate familiarity with working in a dynamic, nearshore environment in the Gulf of Maine (GoM)
 - Example projects generally support the biofouling topic area listed in the RFA, but no clear relation to offshore wind (OSW). This section could've benefited from more details around how the research findings would be used.
 - Project 1: Bangs Island Mussels
 1. Principal Investigator (PI) led a project to develop and implement innovative field sampling and biomonitoring technologies for mussel aquaculture applications using environmental nucleic acids (eRNA) to detect wild mussel larvae in the water column.
 - Project 2: FB Environmental
 1. PI worked with FB Environmental to design and execute a study of picocyanobacteria diversity in a New Hampshire lake using eDNA metabarcoding.
 - Project 3: The National Science Foundation
 1. Project provided the PIs with foundational training in eDNA science, where they sampled and sequenced Index Sites consisting of lake to coast transects
 2. Subcontractors
 1. N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	19

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- Project seeks to address: biofouling, biological conditions, sea floor, impacts from bird and bat activity. However, specific details on how the project will address sea floor issues are not provided.
- Concern about ability to measure impacts within time period proposed

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:
 1. Bidder will adopt a strategy that includes both surface and near-seafloor eDNA sampling to advance the Maine Energy Plan, Maine's Climate Action Plan, and Maine's offshore wind priorities through the cost-effective and comprehensive monitoring of: (1) biology on turbine structures for biofouling potential, (2) biological conditions within the water column and near the seafloor, (3) seafloor impacts from the turbine infrastructure, and (4) bird and bat activity.
 2. Project proposes to capture presence of avian species, but not behavior -- the latter of which is especially important. What is the technology's ability to answer the questions posed by the bidder?
 3. Concern about the level of innovation being proposed. While eDNA is new, it's not the bidder's innovation. Is the methodology itself innovative?
- Risk Identification & Mitigation:
 1. Risks addressed with mitigation strategies identified
- Proposed Activity:
 1. Test deployment of an eDNA sampler at Bigelow Laboratory (suggesting 1-2 months of testing before deployment)
 2. Time-series sampling with eDNA samplers on the VoltturnUS+ demonstration project site
 3. Purify eDNA and characterize community structure through metabarcoding

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3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Bidder indicates ability to begin work immediately, which is a positive
 - Bidder will first deploy the eDNA sampler at the shore facility of Bigelow Laboratory. After 1-2 months of testing, bidder will deploy two eDNA samplers simultaneously at the turbine using existing, routine University of Maine (UMaine) vessel transport to the site.
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Routine UMaine vessel transport to the site at the start of deployment, monthly during deployment and for final recovery of the eDNA samplers
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - The primary data type for this project is eDNA metabarcoding data, which will be one of the highest-frequency and longest running data sets collected in the GoM. This detail could speak to the earlier question around project innovation.
 - The turbine has already been deployed, meaning bidder's data collection will take place while the turbine is in the water. Does this project require baseline data (pre-turbine deployment) by which to compare findings?
 - Analysis will likely take place after turbine has been removed
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - N/A
7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Addressed
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - PIs will identify suitable times to host meetings and check ins in consultation with the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office [GEO]), UMaine, and other entities identified by DOER
 - Proposes two virtual updates to Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
10. Reports and Publications
11. Proposes to submit monthly, quarterly, and annual reports and a final report
12. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Agreed

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	13

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$105,000
2. Budget narrative matches the budget table
3. Largest cost item is “Other” at almost \$60,000
 - Notes that it includes Bigelow Lab services, insurance for samplers, etc.

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	5

Evaluation Team Comments:

IV. Cost sharing plan

1. Proposes \$100,315 in cash cost share
2. Letters documenting in cash cost share:
 - Attachments included are more representative of Letters of Support rather than match commitment. Unclear that the commitments are there and what is being offered.
 - Other cash cost share opportunities identified in budget table, but application does not include respective Letters of Commitment

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor mentioned some key components or agrees to comply but provided no supporting evidence. Additional evidence would be needed: • A high-level architectural diagram for the proposed solution • A data flow diagram • A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor states not applicable.</i>
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor states not applicable.</i>
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor states not applicable. No PII collected.</i>
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor states not applicable. No PII collected.</i>
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable. No PII collected.</i>
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable. No PII collected.</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable. No FTI collected.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable. No FTI collected.</i>
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C.</u>	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<u>Chapter 123,</u> <u>§§ 2721 –</u> <u>2725</u>	<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable. No personal information collected.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor provided three (3) URLs but did not provide enough information to meet the requirement.	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated they have a datacenter.	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned key components but didn't provide supporting evidence.	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated not using any hosting services. Vendor did not address the requirement.	
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated not using any hosted applications. Vendor did not address the requirement.	
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned key components but didn't provide supporting evidence.	

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A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor states not applicable and does not address the requirement.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to the requirement.
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor mentioned key components but didn't provide supporting evidence.
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor has no agents or subcontractors on this project.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but cites with their own incident response plans, which may not align with the requirement.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor has no approved statement.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
CSP4	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP5	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
CSP6	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
CSP8	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP9	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no evidence.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>

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N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable. No PII collected or stored for this project.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>

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N10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No response provided</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	25
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	37
Budget	25	23
Cost Sharing	10	5
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>90</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	25

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction

- The Biodiversity Research Institute (BRI) is a Maine-based nonprofit ecological research group that works to assess emerging threats to wildlife and ecosystems
- BRI's staff have significant experience conducting bat acoustic research in both terrestrial and offshore environments as well as managing large-scale projects to support offshore wind (OSW) decision-making.
- The following example projects demonstrate ability and qualifications to carry out proposed study. Baseline data collection, especially around categories and species of interest, are a positive. Previous work experience with the State of Maine considered.
 - Project 1: The Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office [GEO])
 - 1. BRI will survey the Gulf of Maine (GoM) for bat presence using acoustic devices at coastal sites, mounted on buoys, and attached to vessels transiting the GoM
 - Project 2: Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW)
 - 1. In partnership with the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), fishermen, and Shoals Marine Lab, BRI deployed SM4BAT detectors paired with a SMM-U2 microphone (WA) in different regions of the GoM to examine how bat activity varied spatially and temporally.
 - Project 3: University of Maine (UMaine) Advanced Structures and Composites Center (ASCC)
 - 1. UMaine has deployed a bat acoustic detector on the turbine to acoustically monitor bat activity at the VolturnUS+ turbine in support of UMaine's permitting requirements. BRI's work with UMaine includes operating bat detectors, facilitating site access and data collection, and developing bi-weekly project reports.

2. Subcontractors

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- The following two subcontractors both appear well-qualified to carry out proposed work.
- Subcontractor 1: Wildlife Imaging Systems (WIS)
 1. WIS develops advanced computer vision and machine learning software for the wildlife conservation community. They will provide thermal imaging set up and processing services for this project.
 2. WIS is funded through National Science Foundation (NSF) and United States Department of Energy (DOE) grants, demonstrating innovation. WIS has experience monitoring offshore turbines.
- Subcontractor 2: UMaine ASCC
 1. BRI has budgeted to account for UMaine's labor costs and installation of additional hardware to expand networking capacity for this project.
 2. Identifying UMaine as subcontractor is responsive to the Request for Application's (RFA's) requirements around access
- 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included, and biographies included on p. 9
- 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
- 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	37

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives:

- To advance monitoring of nocturnal animals at offshore wind energy (OWE) infrastructure, bidder seeks to improve on current practices for sound recording to expand capabilities to detect nocturnal avian migrants, implement remote access of ultrasonic data recorded offshore, and combine 3D thermal imaging and acoustics to characterize interactions with the turbine

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Applicants clearly address how this project will help advance responsible OSW in Maine and provide additive value to existing efforts in the region
- Innovation and Additive Value:
 1. The proposed work supports the development of methods to identify the nocturnal migrants exposed to wind turbine generator (WTG) interactions.
 - a. Including nocturnal avian migrants in this study is a significant value add
 2. Proposed work aligns with parallel BRI studies that examine offshore activity in New England
- Risk Identification & Mitigation:
 1. Bidder has budgeted to cover UMaine's labor costs associated with equipment checks, minor troubleshooting, and data retrieval, which is an important risk mitigation strategy
- Description of Proposed Activity:
 1. Adopt a novel microphone set-up to enhance monitoring of, and build towards active mitigation for, nocturnal avian migrants
 2. Establish remote access to turbine-based bat monitoring data through a networked detector
 3. Employ sensor fusion to generate improved ecological inference from observed animals

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3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment:
 - Bidder anticipates ability to deploy technology quickly, which is a positive, although on-water deployment could pose some timing risks
 - Bidder proposes to use an additional bat detector, thermal and light cameras, microphones, and a new-to-market combined bird recorder/bat detector to monitor nocturnal migrant birds.
 - Bidder plans to travel with UMaine to the platform during installation to provide assistance and expert advice about instrument placement and orientation.
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - BRI does not anticipate regular visitation to the platform by staff after initial set up. However, UMaine staff will manage data collection in their weekly visits. This section could benefit from more clarity.
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - UMaine will be collecting data around bird acoustics, bat acoustics, videography, and sensor fusion on a weekly basis
 - Data sharing plan to be developed in coordination with DOER and UMaine, following guidelines from the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC), the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), and the National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC), which is a plus
 - BRI will contribute bat data to the North American Bat Monitoring Program (NABat)
 - Avian occurrence data will be contributed to the Avian Knowledge Network
 - BRI will organize quarterly webinars in coordination with relevant RWSC subcommittees and ROSA Advisory Committee to introduce the project and receive feedback from wind energy entities
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - BRI will compare signal-to-noise ratios, spectral energy density, and true detection rates between the parabolic dish microphones (PMDs) and omnidirectional microphone.
7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Bidder will develop a communications plan in consultation with DOER, Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), and UMaine.
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Bidder consulted with UMaine prior to submitting application to ensure feasibility of proposed project, which is a positive.
 - Primary deliverables and milestones include monthly check-ins, quarterly project meetings with the project Advisory Board and relevant

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stakeholders, and two virtual presentations to the Advisory Board of the
Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium

9. Gantt Chart

- Included

10. Reports and Publications

- Proposes an interim and a final report summarizing study outcomes and at least one peer-reviewed paper

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Agreed

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	23

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$115,963
2. Budget narrative is clear and justified
3. Federally approved rate seems high, although bidder indicated that this rate is the lowest historic approved US General Services Administration (GSA) rate for staff

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	5

Evaluation Team Comments:

IV. Cost sharing plan

1. Proposes \$55,647 in cash and in-kind cost share
 - \$15,468 of cash contribution is from a previous competitively awarded DOER opportunity and does not represent cost share. True cost share amount would be closer to \$40,000.
2. Letters documenting in cash and in-kind cost share contributions:
 - Letters included from WIS and Equinor
 - Letters from UMaine and Wildlife Acoustics do not clearly indicate any cost share commitment
 - No Letter of Commitment from BRI regarding personnel and administrative cost share

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor mentioned some key components or agrees to comply but provided no supporting evidence. Additional evidence would be needed: • A high-level functional diagram was provided, but an architectural diagram would be needed for the proposed solution • A data flow diagram • A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Maine FOAA	Explanation: No evidence provided.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will comply.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:

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	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		

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(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Partial evidence provided.</i>
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Provided a link to datacenter.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor provided a link, but the link did not provide evidence of compliance.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor provided a link with evidence of compliance.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor responded not applicable.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor responded not applicable.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor responded not applicable.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor will comply.</i>

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Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided.
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Subcontractors will comply.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor said they will comply and contract would be used to ensure compliance. No evidence provided in response.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor said they will comply. No evidence provided.
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor said not applicable.</i>
CSP5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor said not applicable.</i>
CSP6	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>
CSP7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>
CSP8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Evidence did not support compliance.</i>
CSP9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Evidence did not support compliance.</i>
CSP10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Evidence did not support compliance.</i>
CSP11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor did not provide evidence. Will supply during contracting.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure, but provided no supporting evidence.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but did not provide supporting evidence. Will supply during contracting.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but did not provide supporting evidence. Will supply during contracting.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but did not provide supporting evidence. Will supply during contracting.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated no site to site VPN.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply. Will supply during contracting.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply. Will supply during contracting.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but did not provide supporting evidence. Will supply during contracting.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states compliance but did not provide supporting evidence. Will supply upon request.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N6	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states partial compliance. Vendor will provide plan during contracting.</i>
N7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states not applicable because no PII is being collected.</i>
N8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence.</i>
N11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Explanation: Vendor states partial compliance. Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence. Vendor will provide plan during contracting.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states partial compliance. Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence. Vendor will provide plan during contracting.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states partial compliance. Vendor mentions some key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence. Vendor will provide plan during contracting.
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor had no additional comments.

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Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	19
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	31
Budget	25	19
Cost Sharing	10	5
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>74</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	19

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction

- Bidder did not include the organization's statement of qualifications as required by the Request for Applications (RFA)
- Three following three projects are relevant to the mooring topic area of the RFA, and all demonstrate experience in monitoring moorings.
- Project 1: ORE Catapult Launch Academy
 1. Participated in ORE Catapult Launch Academy, applying advanced machine learning (ML) techniques combined with sensor fusion to mooring line monitor fatigue and resulting in a successful proof of concept.
- Project 2: Offshore Wind Growth Partnership (OWPG)
 1. Bidder was awarded a grant from the Offshore Wind Growth Partnership (OWGP) to deploy SafeMoor on a floating buoy to demonstrate the accuracy of SafeMoor's mooring line load predictions against load cell measurements.
- Project 3: Innovate UK in cooperation with ORE Catapult and Flotation Energy
 1. Bidder is the sole provider supporting "Solutions for the Anchor Monitoring, Focusing on Anchor Slippage," a program that evaluates the potential to utilize SafeMoor's ML protocols to monitor drag embedment anchors.

2. Subcontractors

- Subcontractor 1: Daniel Jayson
 1. Fellow at the Institute of Marine Engineers with 40 years in the offshore industry managing projects and operating assets. He will act as Project Director.

3. Organizational Chart

- Included
- Quite a few people on the project

4. Litigation (if applicable)

- N/A

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5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	31

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- To validate SafeMoor's predicted mooring line loads against those measured by load cells

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:

1. SafeMoor delivers a mooring integrity management system that continuously monitors line loads and fatigue life using low-cost, reliable topside instrumentation combined with advanced ML.

- a. Use of low-cost topside information is a positive
- b. While an innovative project, it may pose higher risk should in terms of technology development and first-time deployment. However, this type of technology and its findings would be a good resource for the State.

- Risk Identification & Mitigation:

1. Includes table summarizing risk and mitigation strategies, which is helpful
2. Appears to be early stage; unsure of its extensive real-world deployment to-date. Catapult project example is a good measure of early product validation. The technology's Technical Readiness Level (TRL) is unclear.

- Description of Proposed Activity:

1. Bidder proposes to design a data acquisition method, monitor mooring line loads and fatigue utilization, evaluate and validate SafeMoor's performance against load cell data, and conduct a post-deployment technology evaluation.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Design a data acquisition method using the existing topside instrumentation

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- Modify SafeMoor's existing data filtering and pre-processing software for this application
 - Train SafeMoor's MODEL A for the specific turbine and metocean conditions
 - Continuously monitor mooring line loads and fatigue utilisation during deployment
 - Evaluate and validate SafeMoor's performance against load cell data
 - Conduct a post-deployment technology evaluation
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
- Application did not include a strong acknowledgement of this section, which would have benefited from more detail.
 - The applicant appears to rely on the University of Maine (UMaine) to perform a significant amount of this work. However, this was not listed in the budget line items, nor is UMaine identified as a subcontractor.
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
- Proposes to share data with wind developers, mooring system manufacturers, and classification societies
 - Applicant notes they will work with the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office [GEO]) and UMaine to develop a plan for their non-proprietary data sources. However, the applicant would be responsible for developing this plan to avoid overburdening the State and other partners.
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
- Proposes weekly performance of model internal evaluations and engineering assessments
7. Safety Communications Strategy
- N/A
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
- Proposes a kick off meeting, monthly check-ins, quarterly update meetings, project delivery meetings, and updates to the Advisory Board of the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium
9. Gantt Chart
- Included
10. Reports and Publications
- Bidder will provide Project Management Reports and monthly, quarterly, annual, and final reports.
 - 1. Potential deliverables include a webinar, a performance analysis of load cells to SafeMoor line load module, and a cost benefit analysis for future floating offshore wind farms that implement SafeMoor
11. Signed Legal Agreements

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- Applicant notes intention to sign necessary agreements but references additional post-award contract negotiations. However, applicant included legal assistance in their budget, indicating that they may consider this to be a pre-award activity.

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	19

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$96,285
2. Budget table matches proposal/ narrative
3. Note that there are quite a few people on the project, especially for a start-up. However, the hourly rates seem reasonable, and all will be working remotely with the exception of one budgeted trip to Maine.

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	5

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
1. Proposes \$82,785 in-kind match
 - Match explanations are rate reductions
 2. Did not include a Letter of Commitment confirming in-kind match

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor states they meet GDPR, which is not comprehensive to the requirements as outlined in the assessment.		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply. They do not anticipate handling any PII.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply. They do not anticipate handling any PII.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>

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		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply. They do not anticipate handling any PII.</i>
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply. They do not anticipate handling any PII.</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not have to meet the requirement.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not have to meet the requirement.</i>
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they don't anticipate holding any personal information.</i>

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Bill of Materials (BoM)	
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to their product.
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated hosting on Microsoft Azure.
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor's response was not about hosting solution.
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they do not follow NIST best practices, instead following UK best practices. No evidence was provided.
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but no evidence was provided.
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response didn't address the requirements.
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they do not meet the requirements.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not meet the requirements.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation provided.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the requirement.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP16	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand compliance requirements.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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N3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N6	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated would like to work with the state to understand implement the controls.
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Explanation is unclear.</i>

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Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	18
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	31
Budget	25	24
Cost Sharing	10	5
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>78</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	18

Evaluation Team Comments:

- I. Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Applicant did not include the statement of qualifications as required per the Request for Applications (RFA)
 - Project 1: Carbon Trust
 1. The project involved deployment of the Load Reduction Device (LRD) at 1/4 scale in an offshore test site for the purposes of validation of operational performance, mechanical design, and confirmation of the scalability of the unit
 - Project 2: ORE Catapult
 1. The LOADCERT project delivers a certified Load Reduction Device which is designed specifically for integration within the mooring system of the VoltturnUS+ at Castine and is ready for deployment.
 - Project 3: Marine Institute
 1. The FORSEA project supports the delivery of the LRD to site in Castine, and the initial deployment of the technology within the baseline mooring system.
 - Three example projects are relevant to the mooring topic in the RFA
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: University of Maine (UMaine)
 1. The deployment of the LRD at Castine is the result of detailed technical and commercial engagement between UMaine and the bidder over a number of years.
 2. UMaine will work on validating the raw data collected offshore, assisting with marine operations planning, reviewing data processing, and overall project direction.
 - a. UMaine as subcontractor is a positive
 - Subcontractor 2: Carbon Trust (CT)
 1. Carbon Trust will work on project dissemination, industry outreach and maximizing the benefits of the project outcomes for the State of Maine.

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2. Subcontractor has also been a partner on previous deployments of the LRD.
 3. CT's global expertise will be helpful
- Subcontractor 3: Downeast Yacht Services
 1. The crane barge available from Downeast Yacht Services has previously been used by UMaine in the deployment of the VoltturnUS+ platform and baseline mooring system.
 2. The vessel will be used again, along with local tugs, for marine operations within this project.
3. Organizational Chart
 - Included
4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Includes screenshot of policy renewal. Much less detail than the form typically submitted.
 - Unsure if it's sufficient based on the information provided. Level of coverage is not indicated.

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	31

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- It appears that the bidder is attempting to characterize and reduce mooring loads.
- This proposal appears to suggest supplementing some work the bidder has already done with UMaine by helping meet funding shortfalls. It is unclear how this proposal diverges from the work that has already been done.
 1. Stronger boundaries around this particular funding opportunity would have strengthened this section and the application as a whole.
 2. The budget narrative explains that existing funding does not cover performance monitoring and sharing of results.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:
 1. Learning will be captured for Maine-based companies
 2. Bidder did not propose to capture marine activity, which would have been useful.
 3. Project itself seems well-thought out and well-developed.
- Risk Identification and Mitigation:
 1. Damage in deployment, Data or sensor failure, limited sensor redundancy. Identifies mitigation strategies for these risks.
- Description of Proposed Activity:
 1. Additional funds will support validation and post processing of data, operations and maintenance procedures including post installation and decommissioning assessment, additional stakeholder engagement and report review/dissemination

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- An installation methodology for a minimum 12-month deployment has already been discussed and developed with UMaine

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1. Unclear how the application scope relates to other work that has been funded
 - Ongoing relationship and work with UMaine could allow for rapid deployment of technology
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - LRD mounted accelerometers and mooring line load shackles will be calibrated and benchmarked against the prior baseline mooring system results. The LRD mooring performance will be validated against numerical models to improve predictive accuracy.
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Data from the load shackles will be linked with the existing data collection through ethernet connection and/or SD card access.
 - The data will be processed quarterly during the deployment, with a post-processing of all deployment data at the end of the project. Private and public reports will be created where elements of the finding will be shared.
 - Data will be made publicly available if deemed appropriate to industry stakeholders such as floating offshore wind (FOW) developers.
 - CT will be responsible for outreach/ communication of results, which is a positive
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Biofouling Potential (mooring system components)
 - Mooring Line Loads
7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Will develop communications strategy to facilitate safe and efficient operations and maintenance in line with the project Hazard and Operability (HAZOP) workshop with marine contractors and United States Coast Guard and Certification Body DNV
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Kick off meeting with the Department of Energy (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office [GEO]) and other state agencies, regular monthly meetings between UMaine and the bidder, quarterly reporting deliverables, and two virtual updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
9. Gantt Chart
 - Included, although the chart does not include installation
10. Reports and Publications
 - Post-installation report at the end of first quarter, quarterly systems reports, monthly summary/ flash reports, and annual and final reports
11. Signed Legal Agreements

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- Bidder and UMaine have existing non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) in place as well as site-access agreement
- Also plans to sign multi-party NDA agreement with CT

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	24

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$119,500
2. Budget narrative explains that this funding would go to support the installation of technology. This point remained unclear until this section.
3. No personnel rates included, but bidder noted that labor is being provided at cost.

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	5

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
1. Proposes \$1,000,000 cost share (in-kind)
 2. No Letter of Commitment explaining the cost share

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no supporting evidence. Additional evidence would be needed: • A high-level architectural diagram for the proposed solution • A data flow diagram • A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they comply but no evidence was provided.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do comply but provided no evidence.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do comply but provided no evidence.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:

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	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do comply but provided no evidence.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do comply but provided no evidence.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they comply but provided no evidence.

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Bill of Materials (BoM)	
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Provided links to products in their solution.
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they will be hosted on US Microsoft 365 data centers.
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated they comply but provided no evidence.
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response about hosting provider not the vendor.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response about hosting provider not the vendor.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.

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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.

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CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
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CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	25
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	38
Budget	25	22
Cost Sharing	10	10
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>95</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	25

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction

- Geo SubSea (GSS) is a BlueTech small business that has experience conducting projects in dynamic nearshore and coastal environments, developing survey plans, executing safe field operations, providing rigorous data quality control, and leading long-term monitoring programs that assess habitat evolution following seabed and coastal disturbances.
- Geo Subsea actively participates in several of the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative's (RWSC) subcommittees
- The three following project examples are relevant to biofouling and seafloor conditions topics identified in the Request for Applications (RFA).
- Project 1: Vineyard Offshore/ Vineyard Wind
 1. GSS served as field program manager for Vineyard Wind 1 from 2016–2023, overseeing offshore surveys, Construction and Operations Plan (COP) development, and geophysical, geotechnical, and environmental data acquisition, and continues to provide permit compliance support during construction.
 2. Very relevant experience with Vineyard Wind
- Project 2: Wageningen Marine Research
 1. Lobster Robotics (LR), Oyster Reef Monitoring demonstrated its Scout 2 autonomous/uncrewed underwater vehicle by mapping seagrass meadows and oyster reefs spanning 1000-1500 m² areas, collecting 4K imagery with 100% seafloor coverage and <2 m positional accuracy
- Project 3: National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC), States of California and New York
 1. The GSS-LR partnership will be conducting a research study for NOWRDC with more advanced versions of their Scout Uncrewed Underwater Vehicle (UUV) to test operating in close proximity to

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floating wind farm components for successful acquisition of environmental data.

2. Subcontractors

- Subcontractor 1: Lobster Robotics (LR)

1. LR is a Dutch startup founded in 2021 specializing in the development of highly maneuverable, small autonomous underwater robots designed for high-resolution optical mapping
2. LR will contribute its advanced underwater mapping technology to acquire high-resolution benthic data within the turbine footprint and surrounding coastal waters

3. Organizational Chart

- Included

4. Litigation (if applicable)

- N/A

5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)

- Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	38

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- Evaluate the impacts to benthic habitats by floating offshore wind mooring anchors
- Document the biofouling present on the exposed anchors and mooring cables close to the seabed

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:
 1. GSS provides extensive experience in the OSW industry and will be the primary group for analyzing the data collected during this survey. LR provides the specialized unmanned underwater vehicle (UUV) with high-resolution camera, as well as the software and expertise to create the georeferenced photo mosaics of the seafloor, moorings, and mooring cables.
- Risk Identification and Mitigation:
 1. Identified the potential for minor damage to the UUV damage. While this expensive equipment would be difficult to replace, it is unlikely that it would encounter anything detrimental while deployed.
 2. Locations of above water and underwater structure is well-marked per United States Coast Guard navigation safety requirements, which will help mitigate risks.
 3. This section would benefit from including any risks associated with shipping the UUV device from the Netherlands. Complications acquiring the device would impact the project timeline.
- Description of Proposed Activity:
 1. UUV will be used to obtain ultra-high resolution visual imagery around the moorings of the demonstration turbine and cables near the seafloor.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

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- Benthic mapping surveys estimated to require use of onsite workboat for a 5-day period. Activities are expected to align with and be scheduled around the normal weekly cruises planned for turbine maintenance.
 - Bidder notes they will work closely with UMaine to scope any unanticipated needs and incorporate associated costs into the project budget. However, contingencies must be budgeted up front per state procurement requirements.
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - N/A
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Reference to Coastal Marine Ecological Classification (CMEC) system (standard system used by federal agencies) is a positive
 - Data will be collected in standard industry file formats suitable for distribution and use with common software
 - Analysis will include mapping of benthic habitats and species identification
 - Data will be housed in GSS's proprietary Marine Data Transfer System (MDTS) which will house a project specific webmap and data dispensary for all invited users
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Status reports (monthly, quarterly, annual) will address performance and expectations met or exceeded with details. Final report will contain comprehensive summary of performance indicators and results
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Bidder will develop comprehensive Health, Safety, & Environment (HSE) plan, Emergency Response Plan (ERP), and float plan.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Bidder has defined a Maine Coordination Team (MCT) group with whom they will communicate during the study, including the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office), the Department of Marine Resources (DMR), the University of Maine (UMaine), the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium, and other state agencies
 - Bidder will conduct two virtual update meetings with Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board (MEOSWRC AB)
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
 - Gantt chart clearly outlines project plan
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Bidder plans to submit reports to document activities according to the timelines laid out in Section 2F of the RFA

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- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	22

Evaluation Team Comments:

- III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative
1. Requests \$179,800
 2. Lobster Robotic section would benefit from more detail.
 3. Note that bidder has reduced budget costs as much as possible

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	10

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
1. Proposes \$34,500 in match
 2. Letter of Commitment from Geo SubSea

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Strong contractual language would be needed to cover the deficiencies. Additional evidence would be needed: A data flow diagram A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Document vendor mentioned was not provided.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor states they will comply but currently do not.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor will not collect, transmit, or store personally identifiable information.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor will not collect, transmit, or store personally identifiable information.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:

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	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not collect, transmit, or store personally identifiable information.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor states they will not applicable.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not collect any tax information.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not collect any tax information.
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not collect, transmit, or store any DMV information.

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Bill of Materials (BoM)	
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor has no products being sold.
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to AWS's security and compliance page, with no additional explanation.
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided summary documentation and links to vendor documents.
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided summary documentation and links to vendor documents.
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided summary documentation and links to vendor documents.
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided summary documentation and links to vendor documents.
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor provided summary documentation and links to vendor documents.</i>
A4	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No mention of free of charge or format.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: NIST summary provided, doesn't expect to access the state's information systems.</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided summary document and subcontractor will comply.</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Stated they do not comply.</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Risk appetite statement provided.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Adequate evidence provided.</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No evidence provided.</i>

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CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No evidence provided.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will not comply.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No evidence provided.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply.</i>

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CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will not comply. GenAI not part of the solution.

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CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor will not comply. VPN not part of the solution.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor will not comply.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor will try to comply.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Provided documentation.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Provided documentation.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Provided documentation.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Provided documentation.</i>

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N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor said, "No", but doesn't store PII.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>

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N12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provided documentation.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No evidence provided.</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	18
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	24
Budget	25	19
Cost Sharing	10	10
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>71</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	18

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction

- Applicant did not include organization statement of qualifications as required per the Request for Applications (RFA)
- Of the following three example projects, Projects 2 and 3 seem most relevant. Project 1 has less relevance to this RFA. Some of the projects are relevant to floating offshore wind (FOW). Overall, the bidder appears to have specialized expertise and experience in other fields that may not completely align with this RFA.
- Project 1: University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science – Chesapeake Biological Laboratory
 - 1. Project used Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar (ARIS; SoundMetrics, Bellevue, WA) to characterize the spatial ecology and schooling dynamics of juvenile Atlantic menhaden within estuarine tributaries of Chesapeake Bay.
- Project 2: University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science – Chesapeake Biological Laboratory / Maryland Department of Natural Resources
 - 1. Pilot study to determine if a combination of transect and fixed-site ARIS deployments could be used to quantify the size and phenology of the spawning run
- Project 3: Gulf of Maine Research Institute / Quahog Bay Conservancy
 - 1. Since 2014, the Principal Investigator (PI) led a group of scientists at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute (GMRI) in the execution of a suite of on-the-water monitoring activities specifically designed to document, quantify, and predict ongoing and future ecological changes in Casco Bay

2. Subcontractors

- N/A

3. Organizational Chart

- Included

4. Litigation (if applicable)

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- N/A
- 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	24

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

- Objectives
 - Use imaging sonars to identify individual fish, assess species richness and behaviors to help inform responsible floating offshore wind
- Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Innovation and Additive Value:
 1. These monitoring efforts would offer insight into the community composition, abundances, habitat use, and aggregative behaviors of Gulf of Maine (GoM) species around novel infrastructure and could be used to predict potential impacts on the fish and fisheries that historically used the areas in and around lease sites.
 2. Concerns around the level of innovation presented in this project.
 - Risk Identification and Mitigation:
 1. No additional risk mitigation measures beyond standard safe operating procedures are required.
 - Description of Proposed Activity:
 1. GMRI proposes to fix an Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar 1800 (ARIS) to the side of the VoltturnUS+ platform and record the characteristics of the marine organisms that use the area beneath and around the turbine.
- Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - The ARIS will be fixed to the mounting plate on the deployment arm, and a high-strength ground line will be tied to the mounting plate behind the ARIS and used to help guide the deployment arm into position. The deployment arm will be secured using the fastening method agreed upon with the University of Maine (UMaine) team.
 1. Will adding this hardware to the platform require more than the scheduled weekly trips discussed below?
 2. Bidder notes that an external contractor will fabricate deployment arm, which could introduce timing and engineering challenges. However, because the bidder is a Maine-based entity, it is feasible

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that they could've already consulted with a subcontractor for this work.

- Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Bidder will use the scheduled weekly maintenance trip to the VoltturnUS+ platform to service the ARIS and swap external hard drives.
- Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Analyze ARIS data for the presence of fish. Categorize observed fishes as either solitary or shoaling/ schooling and respective characteristics.
 - Bidder expects to collect around 40GB of raw data per day, or more than 7TB of raw data over the course of the deployment. Non-proprietary data and data products will be made publicly available through Zenodo, an open-access online research data repository launched and administered by CERN.
 - Bidder noted that sonar will be using high frequencies above the hearing of cetaceans, which is important. Will sonar pose any other environmental risks or impacts?
- Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - N/A
- Safety Communications Strategy
 - Standards for scheduling, protocols, and risk identification/ mitigation will be clearly established between the GMRI team, UMaine, Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), and the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office) prior to visiting the VoltturnUS+ platform
- Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Initial consultation meeting to take place two months prior to intended deployment date (mid-April 2026)
 - Bidder will provide monthly written check-ins, quarterly reports, and combined annual/ final report
 - Two virtual updates to be provided to Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board, of which the PI is a member
- Gantt Chart
 - Included
- Reports and Publications
 - Interim deliverables (monthly, quarterly, annual reports) and the final report will be constructed and delivered as described in Part II, Section F of the RFA.
 - Data collected for this project will be used to write a peer-reviewed article submitted to an appropriate journal.
- Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	19

Evaluation Team Comments:

- III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative
 - 1. Requests \$96,805
 - 2. High indirect costs – not justified

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Sharing Plan**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	10

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
 - 1. Proposes \$15,575 in cash cost share
 - 2. Includes Letter of Commitment from GMRI

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor agrees to comply but provided no supporting evidence. Additional evidence would be needed: • A more detailed architectural diagram including CSP for the proposed solution • A data flow diagram • A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated compliance, but they provided no evidence.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated compliance, but they provided no evidence.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they will not be collecting PII.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they will not be collecting PII.

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	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they will not be collecting PII.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated they will not be collecting PII.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated the project does not involve FTI.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor stated the project does not involve FTI.
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<u>U.S.C.</u> <u>Chapter 123,</u> <u>§§ 2721 –</u> <u>2725</u>	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will not collect information from motor vehicle records.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor provided product names and links.	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated they would use Box Enterprises.	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.	
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.	
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.	
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but provided no evidence.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated partial compliance.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated there will be no subcontractors.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor provided a risk appetite statement but no supporting evidence.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence. Vendor uses Okta.</i>

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CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance because they would not deploy a software application.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>

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CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated generative AI would not be used.

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CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated no VPN is required.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>

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N12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No additional comment.</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	22
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	18
Budget	25	13
Cost Sharing	10	5
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>58</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	22

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction

- Bidder did not include this section for the lead applicant as required by the Request for Applications (RFA), but this information was included for the subcontractors.
- The following three example projects are generally relevant to the RFA, but are not specific to offshore wind (OSW).
- Project 1: J.F. White Contracting Company
 1. Juice Robotics built a tether management system and integrated it into a purpose-built aqueduct inspection remotely operated vehicle (ROV)
- Project 2: Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI)
 1. Juice Robotics built a moored imaging array for the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution that consisted of a large LED and camera array connected to a high-capacity battery and controller.
- Project 3: Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences
 1. Juice Robotics built two ultralight, deep submergence imaging systems for the Bermuda Institute of Biological Sciences.

2. Subcontractors

- High level of detail in this section was helpful
- Subcontractor 1: INSPIRE Environmental
 1. INSPIRE Environmental is a New England Blue Tech company that provides innovative environmental monitoring support for OSW development.
 2. INSPIRE Environmental's role on the project will pertain to field operations, analysis, and reporting of data collected from the study.
- Subcontractor 2: BLUEiQ
 1. BLUEiQ proposes to deliver its Gen2 OpenEar™ acoustic sensing system as the primary payload for unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) based fiber winch deployments.

3. Organizational Chart

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- Included as attachment
- 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
- 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	18

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- This project aims to develop and deploy a novel UAV-based system to deploy an underwater acoustic sensor.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:

1. Development of proposed system would reduce costs and risks associated with performing real-time passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) and sound level measurements concurrently with pile installation associated with fixed offshore wind

- a. Description of activity references fixed OSW and pile driving, which are not relevant to floating offshore wind innovation in the Gulf of Maine, as listed in the RFA.

- Risk Identification and Mitigation:

1. Risks include safety around small aircraft flying in conjunction with manned ships and other infrastructure, potential for self-induced noise, and potential for entanglement from the microtether
2. Will any of this activity – based on the above risks – require a federal permit (which is excluded in the RFA)?
3. General concerns around feasibility.

- Description of Proposed Activity:

1. Technology they're proposing, Open Ear, is a Technology Readiness Level (TRL7) and has been deployed in the Gulf of Mexico in collaboration with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA)

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- The UAV must take off from a large boat's deck/ fantail or land-based site within 1km of the deployment site, be within a visual line-of-sight, and not be in restricted air space. Acoustic testing requires access to a small boat.

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- Where will the device be coming from? If it is being shipped internationally, this has the potential to complicate the proposed project timeline.
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Tests are to be conducted in real time with no plan for maintenance. Vessel support is only required during passive acoustics experiments.
 - Pre-application discussions with the University of Maine (UMaine) regarding vessel support would have been helpful.
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Passive acoustic experiments will involve using the UAV to accomplish acoustic localization of a source with a known position. Operational test flights will be designed to evaluate key metrics of the main robotic and communication functions of the UAV.
 - Non-proprietary data will be made available to the public over existing portals, following monitoring and data sharing protocols developed by regional and national entities.
 1. The State's preference is that data is shared according to joint conversations/ agreements (as opposed to bidder's proprietary system). What information is anticipated to be kept confidential?
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Key metrics include endurance, UAV self-noise characterization, sensor integration and positioning, and acoustic detections and positioning.
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Juice Robotics personnel will be on-site during all tests, and any safety concerns or violations will also be reported.
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Bidder will participate in a kick-off meeting, and monthly and quarterly meetings
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - This study will also generate a number of reports, academic presentations, or journal publications that will be made available to the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office) and UMaine.
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Did not acknowledge

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	13

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$77,473
2. Unclear which RFA topic area the bidder is targeting.
3. Budget narrative generally matches the table, although the narrative could've benefitted from stronger details.

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**EVALUATION OF
Partnerships and Letters of Support**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	5

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
1. Proposed \$17,988 (in-kind)
 2. Did not include Letter of Commitment for match

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Does not meet requirements.		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor stated non compliance.</i>
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor stated PII not required.</i>
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
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	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor stated PII not required.</i>

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	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated PII not required.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated FTI not required.
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated FTI not required.
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	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated FTI not required.
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Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated personal information not required.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated none.
MaineIT	
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated they are not hosting data.
H2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated non compliance because they are not hosting data.
H3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated non compliance because they are not hosting data.
A1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated non compliance because there is no application solution.
A2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated non compliance because there is no application solution.
A3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated non compliance because there is no application solution.
A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply because no state data will be collected.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance, but indicated there is no connection to the state's information systems.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response didn't address the requirement.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance but indicated not using agency's information systems.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP6	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP15	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP16	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP17	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP18	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
CSP19	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance, because they are not a cloud service provider.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.</i>

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N2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.

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N8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.
N13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a link to policies; however, policies don't support the requirement.

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No additional information provided.</i>

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Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	25
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	29
Budget	25	22
Cost Sharing	10	10
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>86</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	25

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction

- In the offshore industry, Normandeau serves clients from both the private and public sectors, providing ecological and regulatory services for every stage of offshore wind energy projects.
- All of the following three projects have relevance to offshore wind (OSW) and offshore energy and are relevant to the bird and bat monitoring topic of the Request for Applications (RFA)
- Project 1: Dominion Energy
 1. Dominion hired Normandeau Associates to build and deploy an offshore bird and bat monitoring system for each of the two wind turbines. The bird and bat monitoring system called ATOM™ (Acoustic and Thermographic Offshore Monitoring) provides multi-level detection capabilities.
- Project 2: Equinor
 1. Equinor Canada, Ltd., contracted Normandeau Associates to provide seabird observation technology for its offshore exploration and drilling campaign in Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada. The purpose of the project was to test the feasibility of using technology to complement or replace human observers for monitoring interactions between seabirds and other bird species near a drilling rig.
- Project 3: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)
 1. Normandeau designed and tested a remote sensing wildlife monitoring system combining thermal imagery, acoustic, and ultrasonic sensors (ATOM) to survey bird and bat species potentially affected by offshore developments.

2. Subcontractors

- N/A

3. Organizational Chart

- Included

4. Litigation (if applicable)

- N/A

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5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	29

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- This proposal proposes a novel approach for collecting bird and bat activity data using a small, relatively inexpensive, flat-panel radar able to be mounted on railings, to understand bird and bat behaviors and interactions with a turbine at a larger scale than is possible with cameras and acoustics.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:
 1. Sensors currently deployed on the VoltturnUS+ turbine do not capture flux rates and meso/macro-avoidance behavior. Addressing these limitations, bidder proposes to install a flat-panel radar on the railing at the Demonstration Project.
- Risk Identification and Mitigation:
 1. Includes a detailed risk and risk mitigation table
 2. Plans to install additional technology on the platform – radar and control box will be attached to a mounting solution that they'll design and install.
 - a. This could pose additional risk and is also flagged as high-risk in the table.
- Description of Proposed Activity:
 1. Application includes strong description of additive value of proposed project and understanding of floating offshore wind (FOW) needs in the Gulf of Maine (GoM)
 2. Test the effectiveness of a flat-panel radar on a floating offshore wind turbine (FOWT) in various weather conditions
 3. Develop a safe, effective, and easy mounting solution for the radar that can be used on future FOWT
 4. Create a communications framework for flat-panel radars to remotely transmit data to a server to facilitate efficient data retrieval

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5. Quantify meso and macro avoidance behavior along with flux rates for birds and bats
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Bidder notes intentions to ask the University of Maine (UMaine) to decommission and send hardware back to bidder with a pre-paid shipping label.
 1. These plans would need to be discussed with UMaine first, as this may not be a viable course of action.
 - Discusses assigned purchase order, but the RFA specified a requirement for awarded applicants to sign an Information Technology (IT) service contract
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Weekly maintenance trips
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Radar data collected from this study will be made publicly available through the final report and via data portals such as ReMOTe
 1. State's preference is that data is shared according to joint conversations/ agreements (as opposed to bidder's proprietary system). What information is anticipated to be kept confidential?
 - Data management and sharing policies will be developed using the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) Data Management and Sharing Guidelines and the RWSC Data Policy to ensure that data and results are shared and are accessible to the public, which is a positive
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Application includes detailed table identifying metrics for technology evaluation. Identifies good metrics with high level of detail.
7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Normandeau will provide a methods statement and risk assessment of the equipment installation on the platform, ensuring that all risks are considered and proposed mitigation measures are provided.
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Bidder will provide monthly progress reports, quarterly reports, and interim and annual/ final report
 - Bidder will provide two virtual updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
10. Reports and Publications
 - Reports and publications will be provided according to the schedule described in the Consultation, Deliverables, and Presentations section.
11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	22

Evaluation Team Comments:

- III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative
1. Requests \$116,679.50
 2. Bidder may have mixed up total request with total budget, but total request seems reasonable and justified.

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**EVALUATION OF
Partnerships and Letters of Support**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	10

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
 - 1. Proposes \$19,700 in cost share
 - 2. Letter of Commitment from Echodyne included

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Current evidence supplied does not support compliance. Additional evidence would be needed: • A high-level architectural diagram for the proposed solution • A data flow diagram • A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Provided evidence does not support compliance.</i>
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Provided evidence does not support compliance.</i>
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor will not transact.</i>
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor will not transact.</i>
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:

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	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not transact.
		Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not transact.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not transact.
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will not transact.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		

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(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor provided a URL with evidence.
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence supplied does not support compliance.
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence supplied does not support compliance.
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence supplied does not support compliance.
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence supplied does not support compliance.
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence supplied does not support compliance.
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence supplied does not support compliance.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor will comply.
Information Security Standards	

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S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence supplied does not support compliance.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No subcontractors will be used.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Unclear whether the vendor will comply.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No cyber risk appetite statement.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor states they will not comply.</i>

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor states they will not comply.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Evidence does not support compliance.</i>

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N7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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N11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence does not support compliance.</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence does not support compliance.</i>

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Evidence is not relevant to the requirement.</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	19
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	24
Budget	25	12
Cost Sharing	10	0
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>55</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	19

Evaluation Team Comments:

- I. Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Applicant did not include organization statement of qualifications, as required in the Request for Applications (RFA)
 - The following three projects demonstrate relevance. Although these are research projects which don't necessarily result in a marketable product, they could result in the development of innovative methodologies, etc.
 - Project 1: National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC)
 1. This project co-designed floating offshore wind (FOSW) farms with fisheries from the Gulf of Maine (GoM) and the central Atlantic to better accommodate fishing within floating wind farms.
 2. Bidder shows experience going through iterative design process
 3. Previous work with the State of Maine considered
 - Project 2: Department of Energy Wind Energy Technologies Office
 1. This project, funded by the United States Department of Energy (DOE), developed open-source, integrated floating wind array modeling and design toolsets.
 - Project 3: NOWRDC
 1. This project, funded by NOWRDC, explored approaches to standardizing mooring line and anchor components with the goal of reducing supply chain bottlenecks with project partner Delmar Systems.
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Not complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	24

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- This project will produce a holistic, broadly applicable mooring system monitoring framework that will monitor, analyze, and predict mooring line degradation for the University of Maine's (UMaine) VoltturnUS+ demonstration turbine using machine learning (ML) behavior prediction models coupled with a digital twin of the mooring system.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:

1. This project advances floating offshore wind (FOSW) towards commercial readiness in Maine and beyond by developing a scalable mooring line health monitoring framework and addressing critical knowledge gaps on mooring degradation in the Gulf of Maine.
2. This proposed project is strongly aligned with goals of RFA, especially with its on mooring loads and biofouling.
3. What is the long-term product that the bidder expects from this project?
4. Staff demonstrates strong experience related to offshore wind.

- Risk Identification and Mitigation:

1. Bidder will be using data from sensors already installed, so not much risk involved.

- Description of Proposed Activity:

1. Overall scope of work is strong, but plans for execution could have been more detailed

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Mooring Line Load Prediction using Machine Learning
- Biofouling and Creep Prediction Development

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- No additional maintenance required as sensors are already integrated in the demonstrator. Bidder will utilize planned routine trips to turbine to secure data from sensors.
 - Bidder will also require a diver to access the demonstrator as well as UMaine personnel to measure synthetic mooring line. These costs have been budgeted separately in the budget narrative.
 1. Will it be possible to send a diver out during the planned weather window?
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
- All non-proprietary results will be made publicly available via existing portals and in compliance with the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) and NOWRDC data sharing guidelines and standards.
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
- This section addresses what's being assessed but could have benefitted from more detail. It would be helpful to see more around methodology and timeline for proposed work.
7. Safety Communications Strategy
- Bidder will adhere to the project-specific safety communications protocol developed in collaboration with the Department of Energy Resources (DOER< formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office), UMaine, and Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR).
 - This section could have benefitted from more clarity and substantial details.
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
- Kickoff meeting, monthly check-ins and reports, quarterly meetings and reports, annual and final report, and two virtual updates delivered to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
9. Gantt Chart
- Included
 - Helps identify when validation activities will be occurring, which addresses earlier comment regarding technology evaluation timeline.
10. Reports and Publications
- In addition to the monthly, quarterly, annual, and final reports, bidder will publish findings and methodologies that are not bound by non-disclosure agreements.
 - Is the bidder able to publish documents on this topic at this time?
11. Signed Legal Agreements
- Acknowledged potential issue with indemnification agreement. This could be a potential challenge that arises in contracting. This section could've benefitted from more detailed review prior to submitting.

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	12

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$120,000
2. High indirect cost, although application includes a US Department of Energy letter that explains high cost from their perspective. Detail is strong, but justification is not. Over half of budget goes to high indirect costs.
3. Overall, high cost for a desktop project that plans to utilize sensors that are already in place.

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**EVALUATION OF
Partnerships and Letters of Support**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	0

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
 - 1. No cost sharing plan proposed

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>			
Overall quality of response and evidence: The NREL adheres to certain Federal standards. All others will be negotiated if awarded. The TA team considers this an incomplete submission.			
Data Compliance			
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response	
		Explanation:	
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
		Explanation: No response provided.	
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response	
		Explanation:	
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
		Explanation: No response provided.	
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response	
		Explanation:	
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
		Explanation: No response provided.	
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response	
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		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
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	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response	
		Explanation:	
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	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> No response provided.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> No response provided.
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	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> No response provided.
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Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i> No response provided.
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Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
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	<i>Explanation: No response provided.</i>
MaineIT	
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
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H2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
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	<i>Explanation: No response provided.</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No response provided.</i>
A2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
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A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
S2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
S3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
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S4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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CSP5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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CSP6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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CSP7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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CSP8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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CSP12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.

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N7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.
N13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No response provided.

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No response provided.</i>

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BIDDER: Orpheus

SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

The application was missing the required Technology Assessment Form as listed in the RFA. As a result, the application was not reviewed.

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass/ Fail	
Qualifications and Experience	25	XX
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	XX
Budget	25	XX
Cost Sharing	10	XX
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>XX</u>

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BIDDER: Spoor

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Eligibility	Fail	
Qualifications and Experience	25	XX
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	XX
Budget	25	XX
Cost Sharing	10	XX
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>XX</u>

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BIDDER: Spoor

ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Fail: The applicant responded “No” to the eligibility question.

Eligibility is a requirement of the RFA. As a result, the application was not reviewed.

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<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	22
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	28
Budget	25	13
Cost Sharing	10	5
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>68</u>

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Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	22

Evaluation Team Comments:

- I. Qualifications and Experience
 - Applicant did not include the organization statement of qualifications as required by the Request for Applications (RFA)
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - The following three projects are relevant to the benthic and biofouling topic areas listed in the RFA
 - Projects are very aligned with Blue Economy largely, not just as it relates to offshore wind (OSW)
 - Project 1: Monhegan Deep-Water Kelp Farm
 1. The project represents the deepest deployed kelp farm in the western hemisphere, and potentially the world and consists of a 400 m kelp longline where geo-referenced position is monitored using BlueOcean Gear Farallon SmartBuoys
 - Project 2: Co-Locating a Fixed Fishing Gear with a Demonstration Scale Floating Offshore Wind Turbine: Quantifying gear loss and developing fixed gear fishing strategies around the VoltturnUS+ demonstration scale wind turbine
 1. The fixed gear fishery-VoltturnUS+ co-location project will provide demonstration of the first fixed gear fishery co-located with a floating offshore wind platform in the western hemisphere. On the global scale, it will be the first long-term (seasonal) fishery-floating offshore wind co-location project.
 - Project 3: Demonstrating a Reduced-Footprint Synthetic Rope Mooring System that Minimizes Fishing Impacts and Costs for a 10MW+ Floating Wind Turbine
 1. The project team previously conducted a collaborative commercial fishing survey as part of a Department of Energy (DOE) project in which the University of Maine's Advanced Structures and Composites Center (UMaine ASCC) developed a reduced footprint, hybrid catenary chain and synthetic mooring system.
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart

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- Organizational chart included illustrated the entire University's organization, not for the project team. The organizational chart was difficult to interpret in relation to this project's team. Very light details around the team's qualifications were described in the project description.
 - The University of Maine (UMaine) has experience working with the State.
4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Details provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	28

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- This project will leverage previously funded BlueRobotics and Cerulean acoustics products to develop low-cost monitoring methods and data products that can efficiently assess biofouling and ensnarement dynamics on floating offshore wind mooring systems.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:

1. The experimental design of this project integrates the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC), and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) guidelines for benthic and biofouling monitoring, while leveraging lessons learned from the Realtime Opportunity for Development Environmental Observations (RODEO) monitoring program at Block Island Wind Farm
2. Plans to combine a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) with an unmanned surface vehicle (USV) which is an innovative demonstration of the technology that fills data gaps

- Risk Identification and Mitigation:

1. Acknowledges risks and identifies mitigation strategies.

- Description of Proposed Activity:

1. Project adapts proven European practices to United States conditions using BlueBoat multibeam, BlueROV 2 video and imaging sonar, and targeted validation to deliver cost effective monitoring

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Will need to schedule project-specific vessel time with Maine Maritime Academy (MMA).

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- Bidder includes project-specific vessel time with MMA and coordination with UMaine personnel, demonstrating consideration of resources required beyond routine visits.
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - The sampling design would be completed once a quarter via full-day site visits where the project team will conduct multiple ROV transects.
 1. To prepare for this added cost, the project has budgeted for the visits with \$15,146 planned for 46 hours of vessel use on the Addy Rae, budgeted at \$329/ hour.
 - Project Team confirmed that post-processed data products from the BlueRobotics and Cerulean Sonar systems will be sharable. The project team also plans to collect data in accordance with the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) chapter 9 guidelines.
 - Section included a second data architecture diagram which was helpful
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Proposes to use existing technologies but in a new application. As a result, the Technology Evaluation Plan is not necessary for this proposal.
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Two separate sets of standard operating procedures are being developed to cover 1) vessel operations and 2) commercial fishing activities.
 - Including UMaine, the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office) and Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR) in reviews will ensure the project uses reasonable safeguards to prevent entanglement between the BlueROV2 tether cable and mooring lines.
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - These details are only referenced in the Gantt chart. It would have been helpful to include more narrative around this point.
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
 - This was another opportunity to describe who is responsible for which task, but these details were not included.
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - These details were only referenced in the Gantt chart. It would have been helpful to include more narrative around this point.
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Bidder did not reference this section, nor did they build legal support into budget. However, this may not have been necessary as the bidder is also a UMaine entity.

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	13

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$67,216
2. Reasonable budget request. Budget includes support for students, which is a positive for state funding.
3. Budget narrative not included in the application as required by RFA.

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**EVALUATION OF
Partnerships and Letters of Support**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	5

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
1. Proposes \$12,944 in cost share (cash)
 2. No Letter of Commitment

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor ensures compliance with NIST 800-171 but nothing higher.		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Unclear if vendor complies.</i>
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Unclear if vendor complies.</i>
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor agreed to comply.</i>
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Vendor stated they do not comply.</i>
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: <i>Unclear if vendor complies.</i>
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Unclear if vendor complies.</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but provided no evidence.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but provided no evidence.</i>
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but provided no evidence.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated not applicable.</i>
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply. Proposal is standalone, scientific device, regularly uploaded to a University device. No details around the University device provided.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor's proposed solution does not comply.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor's proposed solution does not comply. Vendor stated not applicable.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor's proposed solution does not comply. Vendor stated not applicable.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor's proposed solution does not comply. Vendor stated not applicable.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor's proposed solution does not comply. Vendor stated not applicable.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply. Data format will need to be verified.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not meet the requirement. URLs were provided as evidence of NIST 800-171 compliance.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated subcontractors will comply.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will not comply. Stated requirement out of scope of proposed solution.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor provided link does not meet the requirement.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.</i>

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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.

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CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.

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CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated this requirement is not applicable.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor partially complies with requirement.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor partially complies with requirement.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor partially complies with requirement.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor partially complies with requirement.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor partially complies with requirement.</i>

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N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.

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N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor partially complies with requirement.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Response is unclear. Provided link stating compliance with NIST 800-171.</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	24
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	27
Budget	25	25
Cost Sharing	10	5
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>81</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	24

Evaluation Team Comments:

I. Qualifications and Experience

- The team has experience making biological and chemical observations in the ocean, working at sea under harsh conditions, and also in the development and application of innovative oceanographic sensors.
- The processes and parameters that the team is skilled in observing, and which are the focus of work proposed here, are among those highlighted in the “Habitat and Ecosystem – Oceanography” chapter of the Regional Wildlife and Science Collaborative (RWSC) Science Plan Recommendations
- While none of the following three projects are specific to offshore wind (OSW), they are relevant to the topic areas of the Request for Applications (RFA).

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction

- Project 1: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
 - 1. As part of NASA’s “EXport PrOcesses in RemoTe Sensing” (EXPORTS) oceanographic research program, Estapa’s team carried out a successful series of underwater sediment trap and sensor deployments to measure sinking biological fluxes during two month-long at-sea field campaigns.
- Project 2: National Science Foundation (NSF)
 - 1. The PI leads a collaborative project with the University of Rhode Island (URI) and Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute to further develop and add capabilities to the SnoCam+ marine snow sensor originally developed at URI.
- Project 3: University of Maine School of Marine Sciences
 - 1. The PI leads courses in oceanographic field techniques from the Darling Marine Center, and these frequently utilize UMaine’s small coastal research vessel. The PI has led over 20 water chemistry and biology sampling trips in Maine’s coastal ocean as part of her undergraduate and graduate teaching.

2. Subcontractors

- N/A

3. Organizational Chart

- Included

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4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Included
5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	27

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- This project will deploy new underwater sensor technology to monitor water column and seafloor biological conditions beneath and around the turbine, specifically by measuring the sinking flux of detritus through the water column.
- Overall, this section of the application was well-detailed and clear.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

• Innovation and Additive Value:

1. Bidder has developed techniques for use of three submersible sensors that measure sinking particle flux or “marine snow.”

Bidder proposes to adapt these sensors, designed originally for basic marine research, for use in this offshore wind monitoring application.

- a. This section could have benefitted from stronger justification for the type of environmental monitoring being proposed.

- b. Marine snow is important for floating offshore wind and relevant to monitoring beneath the turbine. This aligns with topic area of changing conditions beneath the turbine itself.

• Risk Identification and Mitigation:

1. Safety risks are associated with personnel working in harsh marine settings, and the risk of damage to and/or loss of equipment deployed underwater in the ocean. Mitigating strategies are discussed.

• Description of Proposed Activity:

1. Bidder proposes to carry out repeated 1-week deployments of these three sensors in the water directly beneath the VolturnUS+ turbine platform over the course of one year.

2. The goals of the project are 1) to adapt the sensor package for use in this specific application (monitoring biological conditions

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around floating turbine infrastructure); and 2) to assess the types and amounts of sinking biological detritus generated beneath the turbine.

3. Application notes that, if selected, bidder will consult with VoltturnUS team. However, PI could've consulted with UMaine ahead of proposal submission, especially given bidder is also affiliated with UMaine.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- The three sensors will be secured to a custom-built instrument frame made of fiberglass-reinforced plastic below the turbine infrastructure and a few meters above the seafloor.

1. Custom development is a risk in terms of timeline for deployment

- The most straightforward mode of attachment will be to lower the frame and sensors into the water from the edge of the turbine platform on a reinforced, chafing-protected line to reach a depth approximately 2 m above the seabed at low tide. A length of chain secured below the base of the frame will extend down to the seafloor at high tide to ensure the line and frame remain vertical throughout the tidal cycle.

1. This also presents a risk and potential permitting issues

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Sensors will be recovered from the ocean, cleaned, and their data downloaded after approximately 1 week of deployment.

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- This project will be added to the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative's (RWSC) Research Database
- Metadata, raw data, processed data, and carbon estimates will be documented in both technical and plain language and archived in a permanent, general public repository such as Zenodo, which will then be linked to the RWSC database entry

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- Enable the SnoCam+ to power and log two external sensors simultaneously and add a collection tube to the LISST-OST to enable it to operate more efficiently in fast flowing currents.

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Thoroughly addressed

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Kickoff meeting and monthly check-ins with Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office)
- Quarterly, annual, and final reports
- Will produce two additional deliverables will include deployment protocol and safety protocol for use of the sensors to monitor biological debris

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transfer to the seabed below the turbine, and the release of all quality controlled sensor data, documentation, and metadata to the public.

9. Gantt Chart

- Included

10. Reports and Publications

- Monthly reports describing ongoing activities
- Observational data will be disseminated and incorporated into a peer-reviewed, open-access scientific manuscript and/or a publicly-available thesis.

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Acknowledged

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	25

Evaluation Team Comments:

III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative

1. Requests \$76,481
2. Well-justified budget narrative, with specific rates broken down, and \activities and travel costs quantified
3. Budget includes support for students, which is a positive for the state to support

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**EVALUATION OF
Partnerships and Letters of Support**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	5

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
 - 1. Proposes \$22,506 in cost share (in-kind)
 - 2. No Letter of Commitment included

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Vendor meets NIST SP 800-171 standard.		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply. Highest standard supported is NIST SP800-171 revision 2. Not applied to publicly available information.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: No explanation provided.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Unclear whether vendor complies.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor stated they do not comply.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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		<i>Explanation: Unclear whether vendor complies.</i>
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Unclear whether vendor complies.</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but no evidence was provided.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but no evidence was provided.</i>
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Vendor stated they will comply but no evidence was provided.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		

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(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated it was not applicable.</i>
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated they do not comply. Vendor proposed a standalone, non-networked solution, which is periodically offloaded to a University device.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated they comply with their own policies but no evidence was provided. Vendor stated requirement is largely not applicable due to proposed solution.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated out of scope and not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated not applicable to proposed solution, but they would document a plan.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response doesn't address the requirement.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply.
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply. Links provided specify partial compliance with NIST 800-171.
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated compliance but provided no evidence.
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated incident reporting was out of scope of proposed solution.
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Provided link does not contain a cyber risk appetite statement.
Cloud Service Provider Regs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.

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CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>

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CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.</i>

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CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated requirements not applicable to proposed solution.
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.

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N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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N11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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N12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated non compliance. They meet NIST 800-171.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is unclear.</i>

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SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER), formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass	
Qualifications and Experience	25	24
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	36
Budget	25	25
Cost Sharing	10	10
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>95</u>

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ELIGIBILITY

As listed in the RFA, applicants must provide documentation to demonstrate meeting the eligibility requirements stated in Part I of the RFA. Applicants were asked to respond “yes” or “no” to the eligibility question: “Is the applicant a research institution, college, university, BlueTech small business, non-governmental organization or government agency?”

Pass: The applicant responded “yes” to the eligibility question with documentation.

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**EVALUATION OF
Organization Qualifications and Experience**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Qualifications and Experience	25	24

Evaluation Team Comments:

- I. Qualifications and Experience
 - Applicant did not include organization statement of qualifications as required by the Request for Applications (RFA)
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 2. The following three example projects demonstrate relevance to offshore wind (OSW) and blue economy.
 - Project 1: OffshoreWind4Maine
 1. Created a series of new micro-credential courses on OSW, developed transformative undergraduate and graduate-level courses on OSW, and established a unique undergraduate concentration program on OSW energy.
 2. Demonstrates ability to connect to broader impacts for the OSW industry.
 3. Past experience with the State of Maine considered.
 - Project 2: EAGER: CET: Investigating Orbital Motion Dynamics in Offshore Wind Turbines During Installation
 1. This project, led by an interdisciplinary team from the University of Maine (UMaine), will address a critical challenge related to installing offshore wind turbine (OWT) blades, which impedes the adoption and development of OSW energy.
 - Project 3: Experiential Learning in Digital Twin Technologies for the Blue Economy
 1. Digital Twin (DT) technology, which builds real-time virtual models of physical systems, is a transformative approach for monitoring, predictive maintenance, and data-driven decision-making. This ExLENT project aims to engage undergraduate and graduate students early in their degree programs and connect them with experiential learning opportunities.
 3. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 4. Organization Chart

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- Included the lead of the demonstration project, which demonstrates clear coordination with other entities at UMaine.
 - UMaine has experience working with the State.
5. Litigation (if applicable)
- Included
6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
- Complete

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**EVALUATION OF
Proposed Scope of Work**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	36

Evaluation Team Comments:

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- The project directly targets the RFA priority of monitoring water column (beneath and around the turbine) to evaluate physical, hydrodynamic, and biological processes

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Innovation and Additive Value:

1. This project will develop and demonstrate a new multi-modal BlueTech monitoring framework that integrates hydrodynamic and optical-based measurements to resolve near-field turbulence and stratification around the VoltturnUS+ floating turbine.
2. Project is relevant to the water column and sea floor conditions topic area in the RFA.

- Risk Identification and Mitigation:

1. Includes chart identifying potential risks, impacts, and mitigation strategies

- Description of Proposed Activity:

1. Stratification & Mixing Measurement using ADCP/CTD (Baseline) Plan and Access for Maintenance
2. Wake Patterns and Temperature Characterization behind turbines via Thermal Drone Imaging
3. Procurement and Design of In-Field Particle Imaging Velocimetry (PIV) System
4. Lab-Scale Verification and Testing
5. In-Field PIV Deployment and Turbulence Analysis
6. Correlation, Recommendations, and Documentation

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- A new system will need to be designed and constructed, leaving the potential for schedule and engineering risks. The Gantt chart identifies significant amount of time for this, with deployment not expected until

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- month 5 or 6. Other activities will take place prior to technology deployment.
- Principal Investigators (PIs) plan to engage students in this work
 1. Students will be responsible for instrument design, deployment planning, field analysis, etc.
 2. Clear effort in facilitating opportunities for students
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Application includes important note that the team will not be leaving any monitoring technology in the water column unattended
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - The project will generate experimental field data, derived and processed products, and publications and documentation
 - Results will be disseminated through peer-reviewed journal publications and conference presentations, public data summaries hosted on the WEMO Lab website, and open-access repositories such as Google Drive and ResearchGate for educational and workforce development use
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Technology evaluation applies specifically to the PIV system. Metrics for success include operational reliability, measurement accuracy, optical quality, data usability, and reproducibility, demonstrating relevance.
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Safety communication strategy will be developed and finalized after proposal is awarded
 - Strong section with clear details
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Kickoff meeting and active communication with the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Maine Governor's Energy Office), the University of Maine (UMaine), and others
 - Two virtual presentations to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
 - Gantt did not include who was doing which task
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Monthly, quarterly, annual, and final reports
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged

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**EVALUATION OF
Cost Proposal**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Budget	25	25

Evaluation Team Comments:

- III. Cost Proposal – Budget Narrative
1. Requests \$109,599
 2. Budget narrative matches budget table
 3. Budget seems well-justified
 4. About 1/3 of the budget will go to graduate and undergraduate student support
 5. PI salaries are documented as cost share

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**EVALUATION OF
Partnerships and Letters of Support**

	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Cost Sharing	10	10

Evaluation Team Comments:

- IV. Cost sharing plan
1. Proposes \$57,784 in cost share (in-kind)
 2. Letter of Commitment from University of Maine

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Consensus Comments - Technical Assessment Team:

Consensus Decision: <i>Not Met</i>		
Overall quality of response and evidence: Majority of the responses do not comply with the state's requirements. However, the proposed solution is a standalone solution that sits on non-networked, field devices. As part of the data submitted with the technical assessment, it is unclear how the state gets the data collected. Additional evidence would be needed: A high-level architectural diagram for the proposed solution A data flow diagram A description of the controls and safeguards that will be applied to Maine data once in the bidders possession		
Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Response was "No".
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Response was "No".
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: No evidence provided.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor does not comply.

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	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor does not comply.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor does not comply.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No evidence provided.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No evidence provided.
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123.</u>	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No evidence provided.

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	<u>§§ 2721 – 2725</u>	
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor stated it does not apply.	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not meet requirement.	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not meet requirement.	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not meet requirement.	
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not meet requirement.	
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not meet requirement.	
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Does not meet requirement.	
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor did not mention that it would be provided in the format required by the state, but all other requirements were met.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Based on the link provided, they do comply with NIST 800 171 revision 2. Partial compliance.</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Provided sufficient safeguards are in place.</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated "No".</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: A link to a policy was provided with no risk appetite statement.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
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CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>

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CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
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CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Vendor stated compliance does not apply due to the nature of their proposed solution.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
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N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor response is that they do not comply with the NIST control.</i>
N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provides reasons for non-compliance.</i>

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BIDDER: University of New England

SUMMARY PAGE

Department Name: Department of Energy Resources (DOER)

Name of RFA Coordinator: Stephanie Watson

Names of Evaluators: Kori Groenveld, Tagwongo Obomsawin, Dale Thomas, Stephanie Watson

The application was missing the required Technology Assessment Form as listed in the RFA. As a result, the application was not reviewed.

<u>Scoring Sections</u>	<u>Points Available</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
Eligibility	Pass/ Fail	
Qualifications and Experience	25	XX
Proposed Project and Technical Assessment	40	XX
Budget	25	XX
Cost Sharing	10	XX
<u>Total Points</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>XX</u>

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APPLICANT NAME: AMOG

DATE: October 14, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction –
 - Project 1
 1. Demonstrating Ozea, a digital monitoring tool, on a full scale floating demonstrator offline
 2. Contact is someone at RWE – status of this project given the industry changes?
 - Project 2
 1. Uses a lot of acronyms without explanation
 2. AMOG's Smart Marine Integrity Checker (SMIC) software monitors and tracks the fatigue and integrity of floating offshore assets' mooring systems using existing data streams, helping extend asset life without installing new sensors
 - Project 3
 1. Helped design Hexicon's proprietary offshore wind (OSW) turbine system
 2. Subcontractors - strong, collaborative project team
 - Subcontractor 1 - sowento GmbH, a wind energy engineering consultancy spun out of the University of Stuttgart, will serve as a subcontractor to develop and maintain the digital twin for AMOG's Ozea floating wind monitoring tool, including building, validating, and tuning the SLOW (Kalman Filter based) model for the State of Maine floating offshore wind turbine (FOWT) and providing ongoing software maintenance.
 - Subcontractor 2 - The Carbon Trust will serve as an advisory subcontractor for the Ozea floating wind condition monitoring tool, providing expert guidance on data integration, dashboard and reporting design, and cost-benefit analysis to support industry adoption, drawing on their extensive experience with floating offshore wind projects and developer needs. Carbon Trust has extensive experience and expertise with floating offshore wind (FOW), and can bring a global perspective.
 - Subcontractor 3 – AMOG Australia
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Details entities included and their roles

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4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed
5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives
 - Project will deploy Ozea, a digital twin monitoring tool that uses sensor data to assess mooring integrity and fatigue in FOW farms
 - Combines SMIC with sowento's SLOW model to provide real time load predictions, fatigue tracking, and failure protection to improve reliability and reduce costs for State of Maine's FOW project
 - Aims to also reduce instrumentation burden
2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Project uses Ozea monitoring tool to do more cost-effective monitoring of floating demonstration project
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - SLOW has two main stages – first AMOG conducts offline data analysis and model development using historical info from FOW demonstrator to calibrate algorithms
 - Then AMOG will integrate Ozea into live data feeds, configure secure cloud-based dashboard with real time monitoring and alerts, and coordinate with state IT personnel to finalize data interface and reporting before full system launch
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - There is a dedicated part of the project plan to edit the interface and the set up to meet state of Maine needs
 - Plan for access and minimizing outages
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Robust plan for data collection and sharing, can they track levelized cost of energy (LCOE) impact as well?
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Framework looks robust
7. Safety Communications Strategy

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- NA
 - 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Complete list of deliverables included
 - 9. Gantt Chart
 - Full Gantt chart documenting key milestones and timing included
 - 10. Reports and Publications
 - Included
 - 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - No acknowledgement
- III. Budget
- 1. Budget Narrative
 - Budget narrative is detailed and appears reasonable
- IV. Cost Sharing – provides cost share on several key milestones, funding some milestones solely with cost share
- 1. Letters documenting match commitments – documents cost share with letters addressed to Stephanie Watson, RFA Coordinator

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APPLICANT NAME: AMOG Consulting

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EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Demonstration of floating wind monitoring tool; Create demonstration dashboard to illustrate outcomes through plots and statistical summaries
 - Project 2
 1. Monitor and analyze mooring line fatigue; provided tracking and continuous mooring integrity monitoring
 - Project 3
 1. Loads analysis model controller review, software development, and interface design
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. Sowento GmbH – monitoring tool implementation
 2. Subcontractor 2 The Carbon Trust - Advisory and review services, cost benefit analysis
 - Subcontractor 3
 1. AMOG Pty Ltd - project management, data analysis, software back end and front end setup, integration/assessment/maintenance.
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Detailed organizational chart provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - none
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - provided as attachment
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Address mooring system integrity and fatigue through a variety of methods, includes modeling and estimating/ simulation and tracking.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Reduce redundancy and risk, address cost prohibitive inspection, compile long term health data, alternative to heavy instrumentation which is expensive and prone to failure underwater.

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- Funding needed to support the development of software and modeling tools, allowing the technology to reach technology readiness level (TRL) 7.
 - Proposes to adapt monitoring tool used in oil and gas industry to floating offshore wind, solve industry challenge of efficient mooring monitoring.
 - Recognized as industry leader for use of innovative low-instrumentation monitoring method by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) in 2023.
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Primary activities include mooring load prediction, fatigue tracking, line failure detection.
 - offline historical analysis and modeling, followed by setup of software for live monitoring and assessment
 - Detailed description of data requirements
 - 2 stages of deployment, describes input needed from state of Maine and University of Maine, sufficiently detailed
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - multiple activities described which require access to data, incl. validation, identity management, coordination of data retention policies and compliance
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - data sharing strategy includes publications and outreach, public contribution, data portals and access, coordination and compliance.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Variety of criteria and success measures provided, includes online and offline measurement, verification, reporting.
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Not addressed?
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Deliverables associated with first stage and second stage, include presentations, access to demonstration user interface, user acceptance testing, software deployment.
 - Software deployment at 13-15 weeks after receipt of purchase order.
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided
 10. Reports and Publications

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- Included
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - No acknowledgement
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative
 - provided
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Provided

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EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: MaineIT

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification – AMOG has been providing technical engineering services to the offshore energy sector for over 30 years, performing design analysis using advanced numerical techniques and state of the art software.
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1: Demonstration of Ozea for the TetraSpar Innovation Challenge
 - Project 2: Algorithm Tuning, Deployment and Maintenance of Mooring Integrity and Fatigue Monitoring Tool for Floating Offshore Asset
 - Project 3: Sowento performed the integrated wind turbine controller design for the “TwinHub” two-turbine floating offshore wind system by Hexicon.
 3. Subcontractors – Provided
 - sowento GmbH
 - The Carbon Trust
 - AMOG Pty Lt
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided in Detail
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. The proposed scope of work will be split into two stages:
 - First Stage: Offline historical data analysis and modelling for floating offshore wind (FOSW) demonstrator
 - Second Stage: Set-up of the Ozea application (Software as a Service) for live mooring integrity monitoring and fatigue assessments.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Provided detailed plan
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

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- As per Figure 2, there are several options available for mooring and structural fatigue monitoring methodologies, and these are grouped by available data sources. With respect to the below table, the sensor specifications and installation details (e.g. location, orientation, etc) should also be provided.
- 4. Risk Identification & Mitigation
 - Acknowledged and provided plan
- 5. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Not provided
- 6. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - The plan ensures publicly accessible, high-quality data aligned with the State of Maine's offshore wind goals through coordinated efforts with regional and national partners
- 7. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - This section outlines the criteria and advisory framework used to evaluate the performance and effectiveness of the Ozea monitoring system across each stage of the project. Our subcontractor, Carbon Trust will provide advisory input following each stage of deployment. After the first stage, they will review and help refine the offline modelling outputs and reporting structure. Following the second stage, their input will focus on optimizing the live deployment interface and ensuring reporting outputs are aligned with industry needs.
 - Reduced Redundancy and Increased Risk: Commercial-scale FOSW are highly optimized and lack the design conservatism of oil and gas platforms. This increases the need for robust monitoring.
 - Cost-Prohibitive Inspection: Traditional inspection methods are not viable at scale due to high operations and maintenance (O&M) costs.
 - Lack of Long-Term Health Data: The industry lacks a body of knowledge on the health of balance-of-plant components (mooring, cable, structure).
 - Heavy Instrumentation Burden: Most FOSW projects often rely on full-system instrumentation, which is expensive and prone to failure, especially underwater
- 8. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Establish secure connectivity between the Ozea platform and University of Maine's internal network or data systems
- 9. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Each deliverable (interim and final) will be submitted twice:

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1. First Submission: Draft version for GEO review.
 2. Review Period: GEO will be provided two weeks to review and provide feedback.
 3. Second Submission: Final version incorporating GEO's comments
10. Gantt Chart
- Provided 1 year
11. Reports and Publications
- AMOG commits to meet all reporting requirements, including monthly, quarterly and annual performance and budget State of Maine – Governor's Energy Office
 - A final report will be issued within 30 days of completing the scope of work and ahead of the grant deadline
12. Signed Legal Agreements
- No acknowledgement

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative
 - Provided \$93,640 Cost Sharing \$67,100 in detail
2. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Cost sharing letter provided

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EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction – AMOG Consulting is a small business administration (SBA) certified small business headquartered in Houston, TX which has been providing technical engineering services to the offshore energy industry for decades. Their expertise is in design analysis, including floating systems and moorings. The application includes 3 example projects relevant to the mooring topic area of the RFA (2 related to floating offshore wind and 1 related to a floating offshore vessel for oil and gas).
 - Project 1: Ozea software system for the RWE TetraSpar Consortium Innovation Challenge
 1. Brief Description of Project: The ongoing project includes a demonstration of their Ozea floating wind monitoring tool at the full scale TetraSpar demonstrator. The project is relevant to the RFA but is early in the implementation.
 - Project 2: Algorithm tuning, deployment and maintenance of mooring integrity and fatigue monitoring tool for floating offshore asset
 1. Brief Description of Project: Conducted on behalf of OMV New Zealand, this project deployed AMOG's Smart Marine Integrity Checker software (the basis of the integrated system proposed in this project) at a floating production storage and offloading vessel for oil and gas at Raroa. The software was used for stationkeeping and certification, making the case for an additional 5 years of deployment.
 - Project 3: Sowento (subcontractor) turbine controller design.
 1. Brief Description of Project - performed the integrated wind turbine controller design for the Hexicon TwinHub two turbine floating offshore wind system.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: AMOG Pty Ltd
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: Project management, data analysis, backup, software set up, security, report writing. AMOG Pty Ltd is under the same umbrella organization as the lead applicant with software expertise in the offshore energy industry.

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DATE: 10/10/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Subcontractor 2: Sowento GmbH
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: Data analysis, digital twin modeling, software maintenance.
Sowento is a specialist wind energy engineering consulting and technology advisor with expertise in floating offshore wind and LiDAR.
- Subcontractor 3: The Carbon Trust
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: Strategic advising. Carbon Trust has global experience with floating offshore wind, developers, and operators. Good industry outreach experience.
- 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included
- 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed
- 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives
 - The project meets one of the priority topics listed in the RFA: Mooring Line Loads – Monitor for stress and performance
 - The objectives include meeting challenges in the floating wind industry: risk reduction, inspection costs, data availability, instrumentation, component specific monitoring, and model limitations
2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - The rationale is to provide a holistic, low instrumentation monitoring system that informs the Maine Offshore Wind priority of Mooring Line Loads – Monitor for stress and performance. The scalable system will be deployed at the operational demonstration platform to advance technology development and sustainability.
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - The proposed scope of work includes two stages: 1) offline historical data analysis (assumption of data availability; a non-disclosure agreement [NDA] with the University of Maine [UMaine] will address) and modeling; 2) Set up of the Ozeo system. The methodology includes direct measurements, models, and additional

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources monitoring. The applicants will utilize a dashboard and live data feeds (with agreement with UMaine).

- The proposed scope includes presenting results on methods, verification, fatigue tracking, and real-time mooring integrity

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- The plan includes IT Access and Network Integration with the University of Maine, live data feed maintenance with UMaine, user access and authentication, and data storage and archiving in coordination with UMaine

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- The data sharing plan includes publications and outreach, publication of results, a demonstration dashboard, and coordination with the State and UMaine

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- The plan includes two stages of evaluation and will be led by Carbon Trust.

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Not specifically included. The application includes a Risk Identification and Mitigation table covering technical risks, HSE risks, and commercial risks.

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- The application includes a description of the deliverables, deliverable review process, presentations and potential conferences, and time for deliverable reviews by the State and UMaine.

9. Gantt Chart

- Included for a year of deployment

10. Reports and Publications

- Addressed in #8.

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- No acknowledgement

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – Included. Matches the budget table, which is categorized by stage and contractor/subcontractor

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments provided

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: The evidence provided does not support compliance.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: The Maine FOAA requirement is not addressed.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: The evidence does not state current compliance.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: The evidence does not state current compliance.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: The evidence does not state current compliance.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:

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		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> The evidence does not state current compliance.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i> Response was N/A with no explanation as to why.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i> Response was N/A with no explanation as to why.
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i> Response was N/A with no explanation as to why.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Azure data center was stated.
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No evidence was provided regarding the data center.
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No evidence was provided regarding the data center.
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> The respondent did not include documentation or detail.
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> The respondent did not include documentation or detail.
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Respondent stated they will use Service Level Agreements.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> The explanation states that to use a preferred format may incur additional cost.
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: The respondent did not include documentation or detail. States only partial compliance.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response states compliance with the control.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The explanation does not state compliance with the control. It only states that it is noted.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The respondent did not include documentation or detail of their cyber risk appetite statement.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The respondent did not include documentation or detail supporting compliance with the control.</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response states partial compliance with the control.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: The response states partial current compliance with the control.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response states they are not certain if they can meet the requirement.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response was No.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response indicates partial compliance.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response does not include documentation or detail.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response does not include documentation or detail.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response does not include documentation or detail.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response does not include documentation or detail.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response does not include documentation or detail.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence is not provided supporting this control.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Evidence is not provided stating current support.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer partially addresses the control.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The details of the policy are not provided.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was Yes that they comply and have a policy but do not provide the policy.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Although the response is yes, the explanation does not state compliance or provide documentation.
CSP18	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Although the response is yes, the explanation does not state compliance or provide documentation.
	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> The explanation states compliance.
NIST Requirements	
N1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation states partial compliance citing ISO27001 compliance only.

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Compliant with ISO27001
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor ISO27001 compliant will apply for waiver at contract time. No documentation provided
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor did not mention complying with the FOaa
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes

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		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Vendor says PII to be discussed at contract signing
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> Not specially addressed
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	HIPAA BAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	HITECH	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> N/A
	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> No explanation given
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> NA
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> No explanation given
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: https://ozea-monitoring.com/	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Just the home page of the portal.Provides general information about the company. No explanation given	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: No evidence Provided on the hosting solution.	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor ISO 270001 complaint documentation not provide for review	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor ISO27001 compliant will apply for waiver at contract time. No documentation provided	
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence Provided for backup and disaster recovery plans.
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence Provided for Change management process
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes Will provide an SLA with the State Vendor will comply
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Yes Will provide an SLA with the State at contract signing Vendor will comply
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes will provide data exports at anytime
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Will share data and provide at anytime in open format. Did not mention if the state owns the data Cost of Data vendor does not comply
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor ISO27001 compliant will apply for waiver at contract time.
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YES
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mentions key componenet but provide not supporting evidencee Ensures reasonable and appropriate measures are taken to protect the integrity and security of production infrastructure.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Does not agree to follow this reporting process Vendor will not comply
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor will comply. No evidence provided</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mentions key components of the procedure but provided no supporting evidence They did not agree to follow the principles</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Yes
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: (Raw OAuth 2.0, SAML 2.0 and Okta Platform are not supported). Vendor will not comply</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Provide detailed responses</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will supply during contracting.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes will not meet</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Will not meet requirement Vendor does not comply</i>

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CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Commodity Cloud Application (Remote Hosting Policy definition 2.3). vendor will comply
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes but is contingent on Data Exchange Memorandum Agreement
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will provide a contract signing
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response.
	Explanation: Yes but do not agree they will meet requirements
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will provide a contract signing
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will provide a contract signing
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will provide a contract signing

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CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not answer the question.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will provide a contract signing
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes but no supporting documents.
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor needs guidance will discuss before a contract signing
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes but does not really comply policy
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will provide a contract signing
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor mention some key components but did not provide supporting evidence. Will provide a contract signing
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YES
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: They do not use Gen AI in this solution.

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CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: At this stage, AMOG is not aware of the need for a site-to-site VPN for this project.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: does not apply
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor Did not commit to using prohibited technologies
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Compliant with ISO27001. Vendor ISO27001 compliant will apply for waiver at contract time
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Compliant with ISO27001. ISO27001 document not provided.
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N6	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required
N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> ISO27001 document not provided. Request Waiver if required

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APPLICANT NAME: Audisea

DATE: October 15, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: NOWRDC

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction - AudiSea is a BlueTech small business with proprietary artificial intelligence (AI) for underwater acoustics, spun out of Deep Voice Foundation, with work recognized by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) collaborations, Wazoku Prize, WildLabs grant, BioDCASE. Emphasize regulatory defensibility: calibrated sensors, standardized metadata, quality assurance/ quality control (QA/QC), and raw audio archiving. Note partnership with Ecodetect for multi-sensor integration and Environmental Projects Integration (EPI) for offshore deployment and maintenance.
 - Project 1 - Development of AI classifiers to distinguish the North Atlantic Right Whale (NARW) from humpbacks using NOAA annotated data to support spatiotemporal mapping and slow zone enforcement; current phase integrates context-aware detection.
 1. Relevance: Aligns with Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) objectives and reduces false positives for regulatory actions
 - Project 2 - Brief description: Automated Southern Resident killer whales (SRKW) and NARW detection system using integrated hydrophones and cameras with partners Sea to Shore Systems and Open Ocean Robotics; continuous vessel strike warnings. 24/7 strike risk reduction and scalable operational model.
 - Project 3 - Brief description: First acoustic study of C1 humpback breeding stock; deployed AI detection and classification to map behavior and distribution; outputs shared via arXiv and project site. Demonstrates global deployment, novel datasets, and scientific publication pathway.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1 – Ecodetect - Procure, integrate, and operate passive acoustics and imaging sonar; AI pipeline for marine wildlife detection and behavioral analysis; QA gated reviews. Qualifications: Offshore Renewable Energy (ORE) Catapult experience, moorings and satellite comms deployments, end-to-end AI reporting to regulator-ready outputs.
 - Subcontractor 2 – EPI - Role: Offshore logistics, buoy and mooring deployment, monthly retrieval and biofouling maintenance, end-to-end verification, QA/QC. Qualifications: Extensive marine

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operations, calibration, observer program expertise, multi-country regulatory experience.

3. Organizational Chart
 - Includes relevant team players
4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - NA
5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Incomplete

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives -
 - Quantify underwater sound near VoltturnUS+ by operational mode and metocean context.
 - Detect and classify marine mammals and other fauna, then evaluate correlations with turbine operations.
 - Deliver open, non-proprietary datasets and regulator-ready summaries aligned with the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) and the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) which is a positive
2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Floating sites introduce acoustic and ecological uncertainties; project adds calibrated passive acoustics and imaging sonar at an active demo site.
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Timeline: pre-deployment planning and legal, sensor calibration, buoy and mooring assembly, offshore deployment in April weather windows.
 - UMaine requests: vessel access beyond weekly trips if needed, crane time, mooring damping configuration support, site access coordination.
 - Permitting: Incidental Harassment Authorization for active sonar, Department of Marine Resources (DMR) seasonal review, alignment with site access agreement
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Monthly retrievals for data offload and cleaning; one-week post-deployment check; on-call troubleshooting. University of Maine (UMaine) support as well.

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5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Has plan to align with RWSC and other data collection coordination efforts. Also has plan to validate data.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Includes metrics and benchmarks to evaluate technology
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Vessel access thresholds, weather go/no-gos, vessel speed limits, etc.
 - Has a communications tree to manage safety
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Solid plan for deliverables
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Reasonable time frame
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Plan for reports ranging from monthly progress to fuller technical reports. Plan to present to industry groups in this field.
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Note ready to sign legal agreements
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative – Included and details different aspects of budget
- IV. Cost Sharing – None included
1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - N/A

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DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Developed artificial intelligence (AI) based acoustic classifier
 - Project 2
 1. Developed technology solution with partners to create automated detection system including hydrophones and above water cameras
 - Project 3
 1. Technology used to generate data on population behavior and distribution for humpback whales
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. Ecodetect – procure/deploy marine sensors
 - Subcontractor 2 (if applicable)
 1. EPI – support deployment/verification/maintenance of monitoring system
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided along with biographies
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Not provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Generate decision grade evidence on sound levels and species presence to inform coexistence with existing ocean users and ecosystem
 - Provide modular monitoring solution to reduce costs and impacts and advance innovation
 - Complement existing site instrumentation
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Deliver datasets, mode of operation acoustic fingerprints, and reports translating into procedures

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- Propose to study offshore wind (OSW) deployment-induced change in soundscape and effects on local ecosystems and hydrodynamics, through the purpose-built acoustic program.
 - Distinguish animal behavior such as avoidance or evasion in response to conditions
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Imaging sensors to identify, track and perform behavioral analysis of both non vocalizing and vocalizing marine wildlife in proximity to the floating offshore wind platform.
 - Detailed assessments of noise levels, analyzed by algorithm, identify potential trends and correlations between noise levels, their frequency and source, and their ecological effects.
 - Involves deployment of buoy, sonar, weight, anchor, power cable and tether to platform
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Monthly and as needed
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Average value spectrograms of frequency and noise level for each operational mode of the turbines
 - Excel sheet deliverable with link to audio file, quantified correlations, trend analysis, species-specific detection reports
 - Data quality assurance and validation methods described, validated by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) independent hydrophone data
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Technology is commercial off-the-shelf (COTS), AI algorithm is primary innovation
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Communications tree
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Multiple reports and updates described in task plan
 - Key stakeholders identified
 - Report deliverables appear to be comprehensive
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Included

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11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Note intent to sign

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided
- Addresses topic area-underwater sound

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

- No cost sharing

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. AudiSea is a marine-tech startup spun out of the Deep Voice Foundation. Bidder specializes in advanced artificial intelligence (AI) for analyzing underwater sound, with algorithms validated through dozens of global conservation projects and partnerships with organizations such as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 NOAA Fisheries
 - Project 2 : The U.S. Navy, together with 401 Tech Bridge, Maritime Blue, and Quiet Sound (international Wazoku challenge)
 - Project 3 Bazaruto Center for Scientific Studies (BCSS), Mozambique
 3. Subcontractors – Provided
 - Ecodetect
 - Environmental Projects Integration (EPI)
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Limited information provided
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Not Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 - AudiSea applies automated artificial AI algorithms for detection, classification, and source separation to accelerate environmental assessments without compromising quality
 2. Risk Identification & Mitigation
 - Severe weather/ sea state affecting deployments
 - Mitigation: Plan deployments during calm conditions (April); use conservative weather windows.
 - Equipment failure, power issues, or biofouling. Mitigation: Use corrosion-resistant materials, anti-fouling coatings, scheduled cleaning, and hot-swappable power modules. Employ equipment already validated in previous projects.

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- Data quality/ calibration drift Mitigation: Conduct traceable hydrophone calibration before and after deployment; use reference tones; apply continuous quality assurance/ quality control (QA/QC) and version-controlled models; archive raw audio and metadata for auditing.
 - Species disturbance during installation. Mitigation: Prioritize passive acoustics (non-intrusive); schedule within seasonal/temporal windows coordinated with the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) guidance; monitor vessel activity using MarineTraffic during the monitoring period.
 - Permitting and stakeholder acceptance. Mitigation: Align with the Roadmap's inclusive, research-driven approach; share summaries with the Research Consortium and relevant working groups; ensure transparent data products focused on coexistence.
 - Validation of detection and classification capabilities. Mitigation: Compare results against other hydrophones located farther from the wind
3. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Provided
 - EPI - Retrieval of buoy every month, clean from biofouling and entanglement of marine debris
 4. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Ecodetect will deploy acoustic imaging (imaging sonar) sensors to identify, track and perform behavioral analysis of both non-vocalizing (e.g. diving birds, seals, fish) and vocalizing (e.g. cetacea) marine wildlife in proximity to the floating offshore wind platform.
 5. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - . Provided in detail
 6. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Provided
 7. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Provided
 8. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year
 9. Reports and Publications

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- AudiSea will deliver an Excel sheet

10. Signed Legal Agreements

- Acknowledgement in task list

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided
- Requests \$69,940
- Cost Sharing \$0 in detail

2. Letters documenting match commitments

- N/A

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EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: AudiSea is a marine-tech startup spun out of the Deep Voice Foundation specializing in artificial intelligence (AI) for underwater sound. The application included 3 example projects regarding characterizing marine mammal acoustics and other underwater sounds, which are relevant to the noise topic of the Request for Applications (RFA).

- Project 1: Acoustic Classifier project with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

1. Brief Description of Project: Established a partnership with NOAA through the Deep Voice Foundation to develop an AI acoustic classifier to distinguish between North Atlantic Right Whales (NARW) and Humpback Whales. This is a relevant project but is in early phase of implementation.

- Project 2: International challenge project to develop technology to automatically detect killer whales and NARW in the Pacific and the North Atlantic

1. Brief Description of Project: Participation in a Navy-sponsored challenge to provide a technology system integrated with hydrophones and above-water cameras to protect whales

- Project 3: Technology to monitor humpback whales

1. Brief Description of Project: Project on behalf of the Bazaruto Center for Scientific Studies to deploy acoustic monitoring and AI-based detection algorithms to detect humpback whales.

2. Subcontractors

- Subcontractor 1: Ecodetect

1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: Ecodetect is a marine science and technology company that develops AI-driven marine wildlife detection and man-made object detection near offshore infrastructure using underwater images.

- Subcontractor 2: Environmental Projects Integration (EPI)

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1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: EPI is a marine operations and environmental services provider for offshore operations
3. Organizational Chart
 - Not included. List of three individuals was included.
4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - addressed
5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Incomplete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Deployment of underwater monitoring technology that complements existing site instrumentation and delivers open and processed data to inform decision-making
 - Fits with Maine offshore wind priority: Underwater Sound – Measure noise levels and potential ecological effects
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - The rationale includes need to understand the soundscape and separate out the noise impacts of floating offshore wind. The description of the proposed activity is not clear.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - General description of a method which includes deployment of a buoy with underwater active and passive sonar with power from the turbine and an above-water rope. Page 22 includes a reference to a federal Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA) authorization, which is a high risk for the project in this timeline and explicitly called out as an excluded activity in the RFA.
 - Includes a general description of a monitoring program from April-June, consistent with the spring plankton bloom and arrival of marine mammals
 - Describes use of AI-based algorithms to improve identification of marine mammals and other sounds collected from buoy instrumentation.
 - The spectrograms summarizing frequencies and classifications seem useful.
 - University of Maine (UMaine) is listed in the task list with significant responsibilities (procuring buoy and mooring system and no budget

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for those). UMaine is included later in the budget under "Vessel support".

- The application includes a recording session during wind turbine installation, which has already occurred.
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Included in the task list - monthly retrieval of buoy for cleaning
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Included in task list – initial check 1 week after deployment and then monthly as part of routine maintenance
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology) - N/A
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Included in task list – establish protocols for vessel access and submit monitoring plan to Department of Marine Resources (DMR) for review of seasonal restrictions
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Table of reports and check ins. Content column is well-detailed.
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included for approximately 1 year of work
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Listed in #8
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Referenced in task list

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – Included and matches the budget table. Categorized by personnel, administrative and legal support, equipment, other costs such as on-site visits

IV. Cost Sharing

- N/A - no cost share nor letters provided

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Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Answer doesn't address NIST 800-171
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: The answer doesn't address Maine FOAA.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says this data is not collected.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says this data is not collected.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says this data is not collected.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor says this data is not collected.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor says this data is not collected.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor says this data is not collected.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: Response states AWS & GCP US based regions.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response references AWS & GCP redundancy, back-up and recovery.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Explanation cites AWS's and GCP's compliance and GCP's included SOC2 Type 2 report.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The answer didn't address the solution's backup and recovery.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The explanation addresses scaling, and doesn't address solution management and design standards.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The answer addresses data formats and not SLA's.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The answer refers to security, not data ownership and access.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The explanation refers to a security plan, but neither details nor a document are provided.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer references EPI, not subcontractor restrictions and conditions.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response includes references to incident reporting and monitoring, but no information or details explicitly supporting compliance with the control.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response does not include a cyber risk appetite statement.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The explanation of "Sensor-agnostic AI platform in SOC 2 / ISO 27001 cloud; edge compute + cellular links" does not address the control.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer states RBAC but not explicit support for Microsoft AD and the Okta platform.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Response of "Cloud resources procured from compliant providers; vendor DPAs maintained." Lacks details supporting the control.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer provides partial compliance but does not provide a policy regarding testing.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response of "Reports delivered in CSV/PDF suitable for regulator portals and accessibility tooling." doesn't address accessibility and usability policy.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response states a secure and reliable platform but does not provide a policy to support this. It does not address incident response, compliance with Federal and State laws, compliance with contractual obligations, disaster recovery, data, auditing, or reporting.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No policy detailing the compliance with relevant Federal and State laws, or industry best practices.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response indicates a policy but does not provide the policy or the details of the policy.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response does not include a policy regarding procedures for implementing and maintaining appropriate access controls.</i>
CSP10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response of "All changes tested/validated in staging; commissioning/validation reports retained by Ecodetect." does not provide details of security requirements pertaining to account management, access enforcement, separation of duties, least privilege, remote access, wireless access, and access control for mobile devices.</i>
CSP11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response mentions a policy but does not include it.</i>
CSP12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The answer refers to backups and disaster recovery, not vulnerability scanning.</i>
CSP13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response of "AES-256 encryption at rest; TLS 1.2+ in transit." does not address a Security Assessment and Authorization Policy.</i>
CSP14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Must provide policy if the bidder is selected.</i>

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CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer didn't address a policy ensuring appropriate configuration methods are applied in maintaining SOM information assets.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer didn't address GenAI or a policy.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer does not address Site-to-Site VPN or a policy.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer didn't address Vendor Identity System integration.
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Provided SOC2 Type 2 supports response.
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response speaks about the buoy but
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: The response doesn't include any details about the stated training.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response doesn't include any documents mentioned or details regarding planning.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response lacks sufficient detail.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response lacks sufficient detail.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response lacks sufficient detail.</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response indicates no PII maintained.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The response lacks sufficient detail.</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Must provide policy if the bidder is selected.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Must provide policy if the bidder is selected.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer didn't address the question.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer didn't address the question.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The answer didn't address the question.
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:

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Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes Vendor does not comply
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Explanation does not met NIST standards Vendor does not comply
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Explanation does not address Maine FOAA standards Vendor does not comply
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No PII collected/processed. Vendor does not comply
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No PII collected/processed. Data limited to environmental acoustics/sonar and operational metadata.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No PII collected/processed.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak

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		<i>Explanation:</i>
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i>
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i>
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i>
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i> No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation: No tax information involved.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Explanation: No</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: No tax information involved.</i>
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology	

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Medicaid Information	Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	No Adequete No personal information about individuals is collected, processed, or stored. Data collection is limited to environmental acoustic/sonar and project operational metadata.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Provided a detailed list of service providers with URLs	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: YEs	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002</i>
A1	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002d not</i>
A2	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002</i>
A3	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: System leverages industry standards for data formats (CSV, JSON, PDF), communications (TLS/HTTPS), and accessibility (WCAG).</i>
A4	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Explanation does not address the Service Level Agreement it is talking about data formats and reporting</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Internal Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No mention was made in the explanation about subcontractor apply the same safeguards as the bidder</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Explanation does not address security incident reporting to the CISO</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Provided insurance documents but no cyber risk appetite document
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: They did not address if they compile with the Principle
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not specifically address if they comply with Active directory an Okta platform
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide evidence to support explanation
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YES
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide evidence that they will comply with the Deployment Certification
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No documentation to support explanation does not mention if they can support Digital accessibility talks about reports and data formats

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CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide evidence to support explanation
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide evidence to support explanation
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide evidence to support explanation DR plan
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Cloud provider patch cycles + Ecodetect monitoring; vulnerabilities triaged per policy.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Does not address scanning vulnerability and how they are handled</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide evidence to support explanation
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide evidence to support explanation
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: I believe they are using AI according to Google documentation
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not address directly VPN usage
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not address how vendor Identity is managed and does not address vendor complying with OIT security policies
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: SOC2/ISO attestations provided;
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not answer the question
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: staff trained in compliance/security
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide documented plan
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: yES
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Automated reporting; platform maintains audit logs. SOC2
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: yES
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Contractor agreements in place with controlled access;
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: yES
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: documentation provide from amazon
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No pii supplied
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Does not call out Microsoft Active Directory, and the Okta Platform (OpenID 2.0, Oauth 2.0, SAML 2.0
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: IR policy not provided.
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Google Soc II documentation ISO certification 27001:2002
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It is provide in the prososal
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: System commissioning/validation performed; periodic security assessments aligned with NIST.
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No documentation provide to support <i>Preventative maintenance and firmware updates process</i>

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APPLICANT NAME: Bigelow Labs

DATE: October 15, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction – nonprofit marine research institution that specializes in ocean sciences, molecular ecology, and BlueTech innovation. Team brings extensive expertise in eDNA/eRNA technology, field sampling, etc. – strong familiarity with Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC), and Gulf of Maine (GoM) ecosystem. Prior work demonstrates proven safety training, operational readiness for near shore environments, and long-term collaboration with state, federal, and industry actors.
 - Project 1 – Bangs Island Mussels
 1. Development of eRNA-based monitoring for mussel aquaculture in Casco Bay
 - Project 2 – FB Environmental
 1. Designed and implemented bacteria diversity study in New Hampshire lake using eDNA metabarcoding
 - Project 3 – NSF Maine eDNA Program
 1. Multi-institution \$20M program developing eDNA infrastructure for Maine’s coastal ecosystems.
 2. Subcontractors – none planned
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Principal Investigator (PI), co-PI, and administration and safety support
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Deploy and evaluate automated eDNA samplers at the University of Maine’s (UMaine) VoltturnUS+ site to monitor environment and detect changes in biodiversity. Address monitoring priorities for biofouling, water column and seafloor, and bird/bat activity
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

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- Expands use for automated Dartmouth Ocean Technologies eDNA samplers for offshore wind (OSW) impact monitoring
- 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Phase 1 – dockside test, and Phase 2 – deploy two samplers at the turbine site
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Monthly retrieval and replacement. Clean samplers, inspect for biofouling every 6 months. Access supported by UMaine's routine vessel operations.
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Collect weekly samples, use Bigelow's bioinformatics pipeline, publicly share data through a variety of ways
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - N/A. Dartmouth ocean technologies samplers are commercially validated
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Personnel hold boating safety certification. Communications plan for safety included.
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Plan for regular meetings, and interim and final deliverables
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Activities sequenced over 12 months
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Progress, performance and budget reports. Final dataset archived and plan to publish peer-reviewed paper
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Intent to review and sign
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative – detailed budget narrative
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Cost share provided by Builders Vision Foundation and World Wildlife Foundation (WWF)

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APPLICANT NAME: Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. development and implementation of innovative field sampling and biomonitoring technologies for mussel aquaculture applications
 - Project 2
 1. Design and execute a study of picocyanobacteria diversity in New Hampshire lake
 - Project 3
 1. 5-year Maine eDNA program, included establishing index sites (6) sampled monthly for three years and sequenced.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Attached
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Trial deployment of eDNA at Bigelow lab
 - Time series sampling at wind turbine site
 - eDNA metabarcoding
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Utilize low cost and efficient monitoring method (eDNA) to evaluate biodiversity and shifts in community structure over time or in response to environmental conditions
 - Proposes to apply commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) sampling procedures and technology to offshore wind demonstration project to identify potential ecological impacts
 - Reduce vessel and labor costs associated with traditional biological surveys and manual sampling
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- eDNA sampler tested and evaluated at Bigelow lab in east Boothbay, Maine for one to two months
 - Deploy to samplers at turbine, leverage existing vessels and personnel to deploy
 - samplers include mounting cages deployed to 1 meter below surface and 1 meter above sea floor using ropeless fishing system
 - Monthly visit to replace cassette
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Require routine University of Maine (UMaine) vessel transport to the site for deployment and monthly checks plus final recovery of samplers.
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Primary data type is eDNA and metabarcoding data. Existing standards to be used to share data including upload to national databases, local projects.
 - Project represents one of the highest frequency, longest running eDNA datasets collected in the Gulf of Maine (GoM), valuable resource for scientific and management communities. Results intended to be published in scientific literature upon approval.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - N/ A
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Strategy described
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - includes internal biweekly meetings, monthly meetings and reporting, quarterly meetings and reporting, annual meeting and final reporting.
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided
 10. Reports and Publications
 - upon completion of the project and approval, principal investigators (PIs) to develop and submit manuscripts for publication in peer reviewed scientific journal.
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Note intent to review and sign

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

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- provided

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

- provided

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EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: MaineIT

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification – Not Provided
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 - Bangs Island Mussels
 - Project 2 - FB Environmental
 - Project 3 -The National Science Foundation
 3. Subcontractors – NA
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided in detail
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 - Objective 1: Test deployment of an eDNA sampler at Bigelow Laboratory
 - Objective 2: Time-series sampling with eDNA samplers on the VolturnUS+ floating offshore wind demonstration project site
 - Objective 3: Purify eDNA and characterize community structure through metabarcoding
2. Risk and Mitigation Measures: The initial optimization period described in Objective 1 will allow us to identify the ideal deployment, sampling, and maintenance protocols and schedule for these instruments prior to deployment at the demonstration turbine site, increasing the chances of success for the proposed work.
3. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Not clearly provided
4. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - At the start of the project the team will deploy the eDNA sampler at the shore facility and dock of Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences in East Boothbay, ME to evaluate the sampler energy consumption, determine ideal sampling frequency and water volume, gauge biofouling/cleaning frequency, and practice filter cartridge replacement under conditions similar to turbine deployment conditions.

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5. Risk Identification & Mitigation
 - Acknowledged and provided plan
6. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - As outlined in Plan and Requirements for Deployment, bidder will require routine University of Maine (UMaine) vessel transport to the site at the start of deployment, monthly during deployment, as well as for final recovery of the eDNA samplers
7. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - The primary data type for this project is eDNA metabarcoding data. This data type consists of tens of thousands to hundreds of thousands of DNA sequence reads per sample
8. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Not applicable. This technology has been extensively evaluated by Dartmouth Ocean Technologies
9. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Training for safely participating in boating activities is required for Bigelow Laboratory staff, and each team member has already completed the necessary coursework. Participants in this work will have immediate on-site communication access to the captain of the work vessel, University of Maine staff, as well as a designated shore contact from Bigelow Laboratory for each cruise (Bigelow staff).
10. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Upon successful receipt of this award, bidder will consult directly with the Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now the Department of Energy), the University of Maine, and other entities identified by GEO throughout the proposed project to identify suitable dates and times to schedule the grant kickoff meeting, monthly check-in meetings, and quarterly progress meetings.
11. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year
12. Reports and Publications
 - Both the Principal Investigator (PI) and co-PI will meet biweekly to discuss project progress, needs, and upcoming activities to ensure that project timelines and goals are met. During these meetings, they will collectively assemble monthly reports that will describe the previous month's activities and accomplishments to ensure submission by the 5th of each month.
13. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Did provide acknowledgement

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III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided
- Requests \$105,000
- Cost Sharing \$100,315 in detail

2. Letters documenting match commitments

- Cost sharing letter provided

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EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences is the lead applicant. The application is missing the brief statement of qualifications as listed in the Request for Applications (RFA). The 3 example projects generally support the biofouling topic area and other topic areas listed in the RFA.
 - Project 1: Bangs Island Mussels biomonitoring
 1. Brief Description of Project: In collaboration with Bangs Island Mussels, Ernst (a Bigelow researcher, listed on page 7 in the Biographies section), is leading an ongoing project to develop and implement an innovative field sampling and biomonitoring approach for mussel aquaculture using eDNA to detect wild mussel larvae in the water column.
 - Project 2: Study of picocyanobacterial diversity in a New Hampshire lake, on behalf of FB Environmental consulting firm
 1. Brief Description of Project: Sleith (a Bigelow researcher – listed on Page 8 in the Biographies section) designed and implemented a study of picocyanobacteria using eDNA to examine biodiversity
 - Project 3: National Science Foundation (NSF) Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) funded research effort to develop a multi-institutional Maine eDNA program
 1. Brief Description of Project: Ernst and Sleith (Bigelow researchers) participated in the 5-year program to improve understanding of Maine's coastal ecosystem through an eDNA monitoring program with a site in Bucksport, Maine, near the demonstration project listed in the RFA
 2. Subcontractors – None listed
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included - overview
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Included
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Test deployment of an eDNA sampler at Bigelow laboratory

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- Time series sampling with eDNA samplers on the floating offshore wind demonstration project site
- Purify eDNA and characterize community structure through metabarcoding

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- The proposal seeks to expand the use of eDNA metabarcoding to monitor biological communities on wind farms using innovative eDNA sampling technologies from Dartmouth Ocean Technologies to monitor the biological community surrounding the demonstration project listed in the RFA. The application articulates the efficient and cost-effective benefits of using the existing technology in a new application.
- The proposal seeks to address several topic areas listed in the RFA: biofouling, biological conditions in the water column and near the seafloor, seafloor impacts from turbines, and bird and bat activity. The eDNA monitoring will indicate species presence or absence and biodiversity but not behavior.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- The deployment plan includes a 1-2 month testing period at Bigelow labs, deployment of 2 eDNA samplers at the turbine (one at surface and one near the seafloor). The seafloor sampler will be deployed along with a ropeless fishing system. The samples will be transported to Bigelow lab for analysis.
- Note future coordination with University of Maine (UMaine) to deploy the samplers, monthly visits during deployment, and final recovery of the eDNA samplers.
- The application states the project is ready to start immediately, which is important with the limited deployment of the demonstration project.

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- The maintenance plan includes monthly visits to replace the sampling cassettes and test the battery and biofouling. The maintenance plan also includes 6-month replacements of the reagent cartridges.

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Existing datasets and standards will be used to facilitate data collection and sharing.

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RFA #: 202507101

RFA TITLE: MAINE BLUETECH INNOVATION: OFFSHORE WIND MONITORING AND TESTING

APPLICANT NAME: Bigelow Lab

DATE: 10/13/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- The application notes that the data will be one of the highest frequency data sets collected on this topic – advancing knowledge. Note coordination with UMaine on the development of publications
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - N/A.
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Bigelow Laboratory conducts required safety training for vessel-based research, with winter weather preparedness. The application outlines a reasonable communications strategy regarding safety between the University of Maine, Bigelow, state agencies, and others.
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Kickoff meetings, monthly check ins, quarterly project reports with time for the Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now the Department of Energy Resources) review and 2 virtual updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included for a 12 month project. Responsibilities for each activity included in the narrative below the Gantt chart.
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Addressed
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Includes an intent to review and time
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative – matches the budget table. The largest cost item is “Other”, which is not an appropriate use of “other”.
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments – provided

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Stated wasn't applicable.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Did not answer question.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Did not answer question.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: If bidder is selected, policies must be provided.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Responded N/A.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: If bidder is selected, policies must be provided.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Response states that they have no subcontractors.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: If bidder is selected, policies must be provided.</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response states they have no policy.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.</i>

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CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: It appears that they have no policy.
NIST Requirements	

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N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: If bidder is selected, policies must be provided.
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: If bidder is selected, audits must be provided.
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not answer question.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: If bidder is selected, policies must be provided.
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states that no PII is collected.

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N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: If bidder is selected, policies must be provided.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: If bidder is selected, policies must be provided.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Insufficient evidence.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Insufficient evidence provided.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Insufficient evidence provided.
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No answer provided
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NA
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Need met NIST standards
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NA
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Required to meet FOAA
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NA
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No PII
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:

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		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NA
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Not Tax information required

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	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NA
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Not Require required
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	

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Medicaid Information	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Not required Yes Adequate

Bill of Materials (BoM)

(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Provided links for hardware vendors No Saas/cloud products used did not list any on-prem software</i>

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H1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>On-premise data center but no documentation provided.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>No backup disaster recovery documentation provide to support process.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No hosting services being used
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No contracted or hosted service being used
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced the WISP but did not provide the policy
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: NA
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No remote or cloud hosting for this project.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: They agree to provide the data.
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Has a WISP but did not supply
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No agents or sub contractors
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Agree to control and have noted it in our internal incident response plan
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Don't have an approved statement</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agree to comply with policy</i>

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CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Agree to comply with policy
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Agree to comply with policy
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Agree to comply with policy
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: We agree to comply with this policy
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Agree to comply with policy
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Agree to comply with policy
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation:</i> no documentation provide to support physical and environment protection
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Require quarterly cybersecurity awareness training for all staff
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No incident response plan provided
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> not documentation provided to support Annual financial audits and regular internal and external cybersecurity audits.
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Training and software provided
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Did not provide the contingency plan
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> NO PII
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Does mention State standard of MS authentication and OKta
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No plan provided
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: We have a robust cybersecurity strategy that includes next-gen firewalls, CrowdStrike EDR, CrowdStrike vulnerability management, and a robust backup strategy.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: no cybersecurity strategy provided
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No documentation provided to support encryption process
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Supply chain management documentation not provided
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No response
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:

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DATE: October 16, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience – 25+ years of ecological research in Gulf of Maine, 20 years bat research, 15 years offshore wind (OSW) related wildlife monitoring
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 – Maine Governor’s Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources)
 1. acoustic monitoring of bats on sampling buoys, vessels and coastal sites (ongoing)
 - Project 2 – Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW)
 1. Another bat acoustic monitoring project – deployed on islands, coasts and vessels
 - Project 3 – University of Maine (UMaine)
 1. Deployed acoustic monitor for bats on ¼ scale floating offshore wind (FOW) turbine
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1 – Wildlife Imaging Systems
 1. Provides thermal imaging setup, data processing, and 3D reconstruction; experienced in offshore turbine wildlife monitoring – National Science Foundation (NSF) and Department of Energy (DOE) funded
 - Subcontractor 2 – University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center (ASCC)
 1. Leads turbine hardware integration, installation, and maintenance
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Lists Principal Investigators (PIs), technical lead, supporting technicians and acousticians, and subcontractors
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives

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- Deploy a multi sensor array on VoltturnUS+
 - Quantify nocturnal migrant birds and bats and demonstrate remote data access to cut operations and maintenance (O&M) costs and enable scalable monitoring
2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Addresses gaps – nighttime detectability, species identification, and behavior near turbines. Sensor combination improves inference compared to single sensor approach. Low impact and cost-effective technology – complements Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) and Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) monitoring
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Pre-deploy bench and dock tests, followed by installation on turbine railings, using UMaine support for mounting, cabling, and network credentials
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Routine checks synchronized with UMaine weekly site visits, also using remote health monitoring and data pulls
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Unique plan for birds, bats, and thermal sensing. Will share out to various networks, follow metadata standards of RWSC/ROSA, and give periodic updates to GEO(DOER)/UMaine
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Will track update and downtime targeting a >90% operational window. Will also compare different sensors.
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Has safety and communications plan that includes UMaine installation team
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Periodic check ins and updates to Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Details timing for design, installation, operations, then retrieval and final reporting
 10. Reports and Publications

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- Progress reports, annual/final report, and at least one peer-reviewed paper publication

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Notes plan to review and sign

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – includes separate detailed budget narrative

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Provided

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DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Acoustic sampling design (mobile transects + stationary) to collect bat data for 8 species; understand trends of species in Gulf of Maine (GoM) offshore environment. Project to be confirmed (TBC).
 - Project 2
 1. Acoustic bat monitoring project July-October 2024; microphones and detectors deployed across multiple sites
 - Project 3
 1. Bat acoustic detector deployed with University of Maine (UMaine) Advanced Structures and Composites Center (ASCC) ¼ scale turbine
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. Wildlife Imaging Systems (WIS) – thermal imaging set up and processing services, networking assistance, technical support
 2. Startup with 5 employees based in Vermont
 - Subcontractor 2 (if applicable)
 1. UMaine ASCC
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided including biographies
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Adopt a novel microphone set-up to enhance monitoring of, and build towards active mitigation for nocturnal avian migrants
 - Establish remote access to turbine-based bat monitoring data through a networked detector
 - Employ sensor fusion to generate improved ecological inference from observed animals

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Address environmental monitoring challenges associated with nocturnal migrants, lack of data (taxonomy, intensity, timing)
 - Deploy acoustic monitoring instrumentation, 3D thermal imaging, and characterize interactions
 - Develop occupancy model for bats in coastal and offshore areas
 - Advance sensor fusion strategies
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Deploy new and existing sensors and supporting hardware
 - Consulted with UMaine regarding integration, requires some wired connections for power and networking
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - UMaine as subcontractor – physical data collection and management
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Acoustic and video data to be collected
 - Detailed plan for data sharing
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) technologies in new applications, combining sensory systems – no new technology developed
7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - provided
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Monthly check ins, quarterly meetings, final report, peer-reviewed paper
 - Key stakeholders identified
9. Gantt Chart
 - provided
10. Reports and Publications
 - Included
11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Note intent to review and sign
- III. Budget
 1. Budget Narrative
 - provided
- IV. Cost Sharing
 1. Letters documenting match commitments

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- Provided

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EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: MaineIT

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification – For over 26 years, the Biodiversity Research Institute (BRI), a Maine-based nonprofit ecological research group, has been working to assess emerging threats to wildlife and ecosystems through collaborative research, and using scientific findings to advance environmental awareness and inform decision makers.
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction - BRI's staff have significant experience conducting bat acoustic research in both terrestrial and offshore environments, including buoy, boat, and offshore wind turbine deployments, as well as managing large-scale projects to support offshore wind decision-making.
 - Project 1 - Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources) - ongoing
 - Project 2 - Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW)
 - Project 3 - University of Maine, Advanced Structures and Composites Center (UMaine, ASCC) - ongoing
 3. Subcontractors – Provided
 - Wildlife Imaging Systems
 - University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composite Center
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided in detail
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. The proposed scope of work will be split into two stages:
 - First Stage: Offline historical data analysis and modelling for floating offshore wind (FOSW) demonstrator.
 - Second Stage: Set-up of the Ozea application (Software as a Service) for live mooring integrity monitoring and fatigue assessments.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Offshore wind energy (OWE) development is a key goal for the State of Maine. The State has statutory requirements to consume 80%

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renewable energy by 2030, increasing to 100% renewable energy by 2040.

- Provided detailed plan

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Bidder's proposed deployment includes a combination of new sensors with supporting hardware, and existing sensors. In addition to an existing bat detector (Wildlife Acoustics SM4Bat), bidder intends to place an additional bat detector (Wildlife Acoustics SMART system), two thermal cameras and a visible light camera (Wildlife Imaging Systems), a new-to-market combined bird recorder/bat detector (Wildlife Acoustics SM5Bat), and associated microphones, including the housed parabolic dish microphone for recording nocturnal migrant birds.

4. Risk Identification & Mitigation

- Addressed

5. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- BRI does not anticipate regular visitation to the platform by their staff after initial set up. Each of their sensor platforms is designed to operate with minimal input, and bidder will establish remote access protocols for devices with networking. All physical data collection and management (e.g. SD swaps) will be conducted concurrently with UMaine's weekly visits. Status checks and error corrections will be necessary, but bidder anticipates that these can be conducted by UMaine staff in coordination with BRI, with minimal disruption to normal operations.

6. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Acoustic analysis will be conducted by BRI staff with expertise in bird and bat call analysis. Bidder will prioritize data sharing for relevant stakeholder groups through a plan developed in coordination with GEO and UMaine, following guidelines from regional and national entities such as the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC), the Responsible Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), and the National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

7. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- The innovation in the bidder's proposal builds from new applications of existing technologies and combining sensory systems, as opposed to developing outright new technology. As such, much evaluation will

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consist of qualitative assessment of weatherization modifications and remote sensor networking to the VoltturnUS+ system

8. Safety Communications Strategy

- Bidder will ensure that their project adheres to strict safety standards across all aspects of the work. Much of their monitoring work will be conducted remotely and with passive monitoring instrumentation.

9. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- BRI will ensure regular and open communication about project status and progress with GEO, UMaine, MDIFW, Maine Department of Marine Resource (DMR), and all other relevant entities identified by GEO.

10. Gantt Chart

- Provided 1 year

11. Reports and Publications

- BRI will provide monthly reports covering the previous month's activities (programmatic updates, contract updates, technical assistance, etc.) by the 5th of each month; Quarterly reports, including a performance narrative and budget report, within 30 days of the end of the quarter; and an annual report.

12. Signed Legal Agreements

- Following legal review, BRI plans to sign legal agreements, including a non-disclosure agreement, a site testing and access agreement, and an indemnification agreement with the University of Maine, promptly upon contract initiation

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided with cost share

2. Letters documenting match commitments

- Cost sharing letter provided

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EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction – Biodiversity Research Institute (BRI) is a Maine non-profit ecological research group with 26 years of experience assessing various impacts on wildlife and ecosystems and informing decision making. BRI identifies 4 categories of relevant expertise: previous and ongoing bat monitoring, designing and implementing offshore monitoring campaigns, processing data following United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) guidelines, and experience working in the Gulf of Maine (GoM). BRI presented three projects relevant to the Request for Applications (RFA), particularly bird and bat monitoring.
 - Project 1: Offshore bat monitoring for the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER])
 1. Brief Description of Project: The ongoing project uses acoustic sampling to collect data on bats in the Gulf of Maine. Acoustic devices are deployed at coastal sites, buoys, and vessels
 - Project 2: Offshore acoustic bat monitoring in the Gulf of Maine on behalf of the Maine Department of Inland Fish and Wildlife
 1. Brief Description of Project: The completed project uses acoustic detectors and microphones on 5 islands, two coastal sites and 3 vessels in the Gulf of Maine
 - Project 3: Bat Acoustic monitoring at the floating demonstrator
 1. Brief Description of Project: BRI has deployed a bat acoustic detector on the demonstration turbine to aid the University of Maine in permit compliance. The project is ongoing.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: Wildlife Imaging Systems
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: Wildlife Imaging Systems (WIS) develops advanced computer vision and machine learning software for the wildlife conservation community. They will provide thermal imaging set up and processing services for this project, networking assistance and technical support for the imaging platform.
 - Subcontractor 2: University of Maine (UMaine) Advanced Structures and Composites Center (ASCC)

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1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: The University of Maine ASCC is a world leading innovator in floating offshore wind and other advanced manufacturing and engineering sectors. The ASCC will provide labor installation of additional hardware to expand networking for the project, as well as operations and maintenance.
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included with an overview of BRI personnel and subcontractors
 - Biographies for key staff with relevant expertise included on page 9
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed.
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
1. Objectives
 - Adopt a novel microphone setup to enhance monitoring and inform future mitigation of nocturnal avian migrants
 - Establish remote access to turbine-based bat monitoring data through a networked detector
 - Integrate sensors to generate improved ecological inference from observed animals.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Critical to understand bird and bat potential interactions with offshore infrastructure and conservation needs. Current opportunity to increase baseline understanding and inform best practices for monitoring and conservation to enhance responsible offshore wind development in the future.
 - Significant data gaps in offshore bat monitoring and especially at night
 - The applicants propose a three-part approach of acoustic monitoring for birds and bats along with thermal imaging
 - The applicants clearly address how this project will advance Maine's and the region's responsible approach to offshore wind and provides additive value to existing efforts in the region.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - The plan for deployment includes a combination of deploying additional sensors and supporting hardware along with existing

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sensors. The application demonstrates that they have consulted with UMaine on requirements.

- The applicants will help with deployment, testing, and additional development as needed with plans to be ready for the high migratory season

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- The applicants clearly address project risks offshore and risk mitigation approaches
- Maintenance includes some remote access protocols and some field visits as needed with routine vessel trips to the demonstration site.
- Budget includes additional funds for UMaine troubleshooting, which is a positive

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- The application includes a robust description of data sharing for bird acoustics, bat acoustics, and videography with references to existing regional and national groups, in which BRI is active.

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- N/A

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Brief strategy is included with primary and secondary contacts with UMaine, DOER, and the Department of Marine Resources (DMR)

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Plan to efficiently leverage existing resources from previous contracts to communicate with the Research Consortium Advisory Board and coordinate with DOER and others on deliverables.

9. Gantt Chart

- Included for 12-month deployment

10. Reports and Publications

- Included. Applicants will plan at least one scientific publication

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- General intent to sign agreements with UMaine at contract initiation

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – included as separate PDF and matches budget table.

IV. Cost Sharing

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RFA TITLE: MAINE BLUETECH INNOVATION: OFFSHORE WIND MONITORING AND TESTING

APPLICANT NAME: Biodiversity Research Institute

DATE: 10/13/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Letters documenting match commitments – separate letters of support included. Current DOER grant does not count as non-state match.

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DATE: 10/21/2025

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TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No evidence provided.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Agree to comply.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Stated as N/A
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation:
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Stated as N/A
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation:
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated as N/A
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated as N/A
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Stated as N/A</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Explanation: Stated as N/A</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	<i>Explanation: Incomplete information.</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Stated as N/A for this project as there is no hosted application</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Stated as N/A for this project as there is no hosted application</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Stated as N/A for this project as there is no hosted application</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Security plan not implemented.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Does not have a risk appetite statement
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Lacks required evidence.
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Response states as not applicable for solution.
CSP3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Lacks required evidence.
CSP4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Response states as N/A.
CSP5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: N/A for solution.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Policy required if bidder is selected.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Documentation required if bidder selected.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Documentation required if bidder selected.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Documentation required if bidder selected.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Response states that no GenAI in solution.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Response states that no VPN required in solution.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
NIST Requirements	

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N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Partially addressed; bidder (implementer) does not respond but does on behalf of UMaine.
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking sufficient specific detail
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Answered NA. Indicated no PII is collected

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N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Weak evidence, lacking specific detail
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: NA
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Did mention if they met NIST requirements
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Agrees to provide the information if required
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: NA
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: NA
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: NA
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: NA
	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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Personal Health Information		<i>Explanation:</i>	
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak	
		<i>Explanation:</i>	
	HIPAA BAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
		<i>Explanation:</i>	
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak	
		<i>Explanation:</i>	
		HITECH	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
			<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak		
<i>Explanation:</i>			
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
		<i>Explanation:</i>	
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak	
		<i>Explanation:</i>	
		Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
			<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak		
	<i>Explanation:</i>		
	Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
			<i>Explanation:</i>
<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak			
<i>Explanation:</i> NA			

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	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation: NA
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: NA
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation:
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	

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Medicaid Information	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	NA weak NA

Bill of Materials (BoM)

(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:

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H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Provide link to the home pages
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No DR or Lifecylce policies provided URL did not provide provide .
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: SOC 2 ISO 27001 mentioned URL did provide documentation
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:NA</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Not applicable — No evidence Provided</i>
A2	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:NA</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
A3	<i>Explanation: NA. A traditional enterprise application with separate Dev/Staging/Prod/DR is not in scope. Vendor Does not comply</i>
	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:NA</i>
A4	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Not applicable — no traditional enterprise application or managed service Vendor Does not comply</i>
	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:YEs</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: The State of Maine will own all project data they enter, migrate, or transmit into the solution The specific ownership clauses, access methods, and export formats will be confirmed and memorialized during contracting. Vendor will comply</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:NA</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
S2	<i>Explanation: NO Security PLAN PROVIDED No evidence provide</i>
	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:YES</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Subcontractors (if any) will be contractually required to comply with State requiriments. Subcontractors will comply</i>
	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Will report any security incident that occurs on the Agency's information systems that may affect the Agency or State of Maine systems to the</i>

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	<i>CISO within 24 hours of discovery in accordance with the terms of the MaineIT Non-Disclosure Agreement. Vendore will comply</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: does not have a formal risk appetite statement</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The solution will follow cloud architecture best practices but no documentation provided</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NA</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement pertains to user authentication for application products. Does not use Microsoft Active Directory or Okta.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YES</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Will comply with the System and Services Acquisition Policy and Procedures</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NA</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No traditional enterprise application is being deployed.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation:NA</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: A web dashboard is not required for this scope of work; therefore this control is not applicable.</i>
CSP6	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:YEs</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agrees to complie All project data will be stored in U.S.-based data centers. See https://docs.wasabi.com/v1/docs/where-is-my-data-stored-and-how-are-wasabis-storage-regions-secured Deployed in fully secure and redundant data centers that are SOC-2 compliant and certified for ISO 27001, and PCI-DSS.</i>
CSP7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Will comply with requirements of the Data Exchange policy, see https://docs.wasabi.com/v1/docs/how-secure-is-my-data-1</i>
CSP8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Security Policy reference but not provided</i>
CSP9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:YEs</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:No Security policy provided</i>
CSP10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Provided URL for security best practice did not mention if they would follow or meet our policy requirements</i>

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CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Will cooperate with OIT on risk categorization/assessment will supply a concise project risk summary during contracting. Currently no available.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: will provide applicable provider attestations and any scan/assessment artifacts available No evidence Provided</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Currently not available but will make available as part of the contract No evidence Provided
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Currently not available but will make available as part of the contract No evidence Provided</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Currently no formal configuration documentation management policy No evidence Provided does not requirement</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: NA</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Does not apply because no generative AI services are proposed</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement does not apply because not require a site-to-site VPN;</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The default approach uses BRI-managed identities with multi-factor authentication;</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Will comply with the State's Prohibited Technologies Policy and will not use prohibited hardware, software, or services in this solution.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Partial</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: devices will be installed with restricted access and tamper-evident practices as feasible. If required by the State, will provide a brief field security SOP during contracting.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Personnel with access to project data will complete annual security awareness training and review project-specific SOPs prior to being granted access. Vendor will comply</i>

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N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided Plan does not exist but will maintain project documentation, including a deployment diagram, high-level data-flow description, and relevant operating procedures.
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Access and audit logs for the hosting environment will be retained reviewed on a monthly basis, and made available to the State upon request. No documentation or policy provided
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No access documentation or policy provided
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Partial
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No formal DR and backup policies provide
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: NA
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No personally identifiable information is collected or processed for this project.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: NO Identification and Authentication policy provided

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N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Needs to follow State Incident Response
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Communications will be protected with TLS 1.2+ and data will be encrypted at rest with AES-256, with secure APIs or managed file transfer used for any exchange. No evidence provided
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Partial
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Does not have a Change management policy. No evidence Provided
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Partial
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence Provided
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Partial
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Agrees to met Standand
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: NA
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No response given

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APPLICANT NAME: Crondall Energy

DATE: October 16, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience – incomplete
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 – ORE Catapult Launch Academy
 1. Developed SafeMoor through ORE Catapult's technology accelerator program
 - Project 2 – Offshore Wind Growth Partnership (OWGP)
 1. Grant project to benchmark Safemoor load predictions
 - Project 3 – Innovate UK
 1. Future project to do dry trials of technology
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1 – Daniel Jayson
 1. Helped develop Safemoor and will be project director
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided and supplemented with full company overview
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Validate Safemoor's inferred mooring line loads against load cells, provide real time fatigue utilization monitoring, and complete a post-deployment evaluation
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Addressed mooring failure risks by using topside motion data for monitoring, scope limited to line load and fatigue modules
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Instrumentation review, data links, filtering, and model training – then configuration and monitoring. University of Maine (UMaine) to supply sensor specs, data access, and models
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - UMaine will perform any maintenance on existing instrumentation, with Crondall working remotely.
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

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- Plan to work with the Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]) and UMaine to publish non-proprietary results and lessons learned for a variety of stakeholders.
 - 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Will evaluate technology with metrics and engineering comparisons to load cells
 - 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Remote team, may develop one if requested
 - 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Includes kickoff, check ins, advisory board updates, delivery meetings, deliverable reviews, and a final presentation
 - 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included as 12-month table
 - 10. Reports and Publications
 - Periodic reports are committed, plus a webinar
 - 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged intent to review legal agreements during contract negotiations
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative – includes budget narrative with reasonable ask
- IV. Cost Sharing
1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - In kind contribution described is equal to ~46% of project cost, but no separate match letters are included

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APPLICANT NAME: Crondall Energy Consultants Ltd

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Technology accelerator program - apply advanced machine learning techniques combined with sensor fusion to mooring line monitor fatigue, with the specific objective of delivering a validated desktop proof of concept
 - Project 2
 1. Grant-funded demonstration project; deploy buoy and test accuracy of mooring line load predictions against cell measurements, enable development and validation of data communications, signal filtering, and instrumentation performance.
 2. Project to be conducted (TBC)
 - Project 3
 1. Utilize machine learning protocols to monitor drag embedment anchors and the use of commercially available sensors coupled with sensor fusion to monitor vertical anchors such as suction piles.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. Daniel Jayson - Project director/oversight
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Deploy SafeMoor, an advanced machine learning (ML) mooring integrity management system, and validate predicted mooring line loads against measurements from load cells
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Enable proactive maintenance planning and reducing the likelihood of unplanned failures, mitigate consequential losses such as lost production or damage to inter-array cables.
 - Addresses need for a cost-effective, continuous condition monitoring solution that reduces the risk of mooring line failure, lowers OPEX from unplanned replacements, and avoids unnecessary CAPEX from over-engineered mooring designs
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
- Multiple activities:
 1. Design a data acquisition method using the existing topside instrumentation
 2. Modify SafeMoor's existing data filtering and pre-processing software for this application
 3. Train SafeMoor's MODEL A for the specific turbine and metocean conditions
 4. Continuously monitor mooring line loads and fatigue utilisation during deployment
 5. Evaluate and validate SafeMoor's performance against load cell data
 6. Conduct a post-deployment technology evaluation
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
- Assumes maintenance will be undertaken by the University of Maine (UMaine) – no subcontract agreement in place
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
- Non-proprietary data only
 - Identifies stakeholders and data sources/types
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
- Proposes to assess SafeMoor against Lloyds Registers or other classification society upon request
 - Well-defined plan
7. Safety Communications Strategy
- Doesn't perceive need for safety communications strategy, work performed remotely using existing instrumentation and data transfer methodology
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
- Included
9. Gantt Chart

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Good
- Biographies included here
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Loosely defined
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Identifies areas of focus/concern to be negotiated
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative
 - Detailed breakdown
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Not provided

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APPLICANT NAME: Dale Thomas

DATE: October 10, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information
Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. United Kingdom (UK) project; but unsure it is considered a valid project for the purpose of this Request for Applications (RFA)
 - Project 2
 1. Current UK project not completed.
 - Project 3
 1. Does not seem to be a valid project.
 2. Subcontractors
 1. Subcontractor is in the UK
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided Organizational Chart
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Verified no litigations
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided certificate of Insurance
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Seems to be limited to mooring monitoring; depends on University of Maine (UMaine)
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Provided
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Provided
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Depending on UMaine
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Provided a plan
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Provide a detailed plan
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Not provided
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

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- Provided in detail
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided detailed information
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Provided Detailed reporting information.
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged
- III. Budget
 - 1. Detailed budget information provided.
 - 2. No mention of UMaine in budget
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Cost share included; Letter not provided

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APPLICANT NAME: Crondall Energy

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: This section is missing the required overview of the organization and its qualifications. The three listed projects are relevant to the moorings topic area in the Request for Applications (RFA).
 - Project 1: ORE Catapult Launch Academy
 1. Brief Description of Project: Floating wind mooring project and fatigue analysis (SafeMoor) through a technology accelerator program
 - Project 2: Offshore Wind Growth Partnership (OWGP)
 1. Brief Description of Project: Deployment of the SafeMoor framework on a floating buoy. To be completed October 2025.
 - Project 3: Innovate UK, ORE Catapult and Floatation Energy on Anchors
 1. Brief Description of Project: Support for Solutions for the Anchor Monitoring, Focusing on Anchor Slippage program (new project)
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: Daniel Jayson
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: Marine Engineer leading the SafeMoor framework since the concept phase. Jayson will serve as Project Director.
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included for this project. Applicant also included a full company organizational chart.
 - Biographies for key personnel included on page 8
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed.
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives (not required but helpful)
 - The primary objective of this deployment is to validate SafeMoor's predicted mooring line loads against those measured by load cells
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Challenge of high failure rate of mooring lines and expensive monitoring
 - Need for a cost-effective continuous system-wide monitoring to predict degradation and failure across the mooring lifecycle.
 - Validate SafeMoor's machine-learning predicted mooring line loads against those measured by load cells on the demonstration to meet the challenges
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Design a data acquisition method using existing demonstration instrumentation
 - Modify SafeMoor's existing data filtering and preprocessing
 - Train SafeMoor
 - Continuously monitoring line loads and fatigue
 - Evaluate and validate performance against load cell data
 - Evaluate post-deployment
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - One sentence included on page 6 with assumption that any maintenance or repair to existing instrumentation be conducted by UMaine.
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Applicants note that they will work with the Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]) and University of Maine (UMaine) to develop non-proprietary data sources. Applicant should include their own plan for this.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Multiple steps including machine learning (ML) model evaluation, engineering assessment, instrumentation and data performance, internal technology qualification program assessment
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Applicants note this is N/A since they don't plan to physically be at the site.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Acknowledges consultations, deliverables, and presentations listed in RFA with plan to adapt per kickoff meeting if necessary
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included for 12-month deployment
 10. Reports and Publications

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- The applicant acknowledges reports and presentations, not publications

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Applicant notes intention to sign and references additional contract negotiations post-award, consistent with the RFA Q&A summary

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – Included and matches the budget table

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments - no letter included by the applicant

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BIDDER NAME: Crondall Energy

DATE: 10/21/2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Does not address question.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Does not address question.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response states that they do not meet.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response states that they do not meet.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response states that they do not meet.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response states that they do not meet.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Response states that they do not meet.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Response states that they do not meet.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Doesn't address the question</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Response states that they do not meet the requirement.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: If selected, SOM should ensure these requirements are defined if bidder is selected.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Doesn't address the question</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Response states they do not meet the requirement</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Response states they do not meet the requirement</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No evidence provided</i>

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S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response does not address the question</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response does not address the question,</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response does not address the question,</i>

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NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,

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N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response does not address the question,

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Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Governed by a different Standard GDPR policies available on request
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: FOAA not specially mentioned within the explanation
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Do not anticipate holding any information as part of this project that is deemed Confidential PII.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: As company we are GDPR compliant
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No confidential PII.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:

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Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i> Not required to meet IRS requirements
	IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Explanation:</i> No
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i> Not required to meet IRS requirements
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology	

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Medicaid Information	Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Yes Adequet will not personal data related to Driver's privacy protection act. However, we are GDPR complaint

Bill of Materials (BoM)

(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Provided SAFEMOOR URL home page</i>

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H1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Hosted on Microsoft Azure no documentation provided</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>No DR plan provided</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>NO</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Does not follow NIST best practice</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No No DR plan Provided</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided requirements for hosting and management of SafeMoor</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NO</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: a service level agreement would not be available at this time</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NO</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Raw data available does not mention providing State with a States defined format.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NO</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Does not currently confirm to NIST</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation provided</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NO</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Attachment D has not been provided within this file, so a review of the document has not been completed.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No Cyber risk appetite statement Provided
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☒ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Did provide a clear explanation.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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RFP TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH OFFSHORE WIND

BIDDER NAME: Crondall Energy

DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.</i>

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CSP14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not met the compliance requirements.
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.

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N2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.

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N9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: : Currently does not meet the necessary controls.

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RFA TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH INNOVATION: OFFSHORE WIND MONITORING AND TESTING

APPLICANT NAME: Dublin Offshore

DATE: October 17, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 – Carbon Trust
 1. ¼ scale load reduction device (LRD) deployed at SmartBay, Galway Bay for performance, design, and validation
 - Project 2 – ORE Catapult
 1. Delivered a DNV prototype certified LRD for integration on VoltturnUS+ at Castine
 - Project 3 – Marine Institute
 1. FORSEA supports shipping and initial deployment at Castine with University of Maine (UMaine) collaboration
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1 – University of Maine
 1. Role in validating raw data, marine operations planning, etc.
 - Subcontractor 2 – Carbon Trust
 1. Role in dissemination, industry outreach, maximizing state benefits
 - Subcontractor 3 – Downeast Yacht Services
 1. Provides crane barge and local tugs
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - NA
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Included (different form and amount)
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - First of a kind (FOAK) LRD deployment on VoltturnUS+, 10k hours of operation, performance validation, etc.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Two anchor projects in progress. Additional Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]) funding requested to enable full validation, monitoring, operations and maintenance (O&M), and decommissioning.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

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- Installation methodology for minimum 12 months with UMaine. Vessels identified, staff continuity described, stakeholder workshops with carbon trust and developers planned.
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Regular inspections, sensor replacement strategy, diver surveys, and recovery event for in-life ops demonstration.
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Adherence to the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) and the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) style guidelines mentioned. Periodic reporting. Mix of public and private reports.
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Metrics specified for biofouling documentation and mooring line loads with validation against numerical models and prior deployments.
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - To be finalized via Hazard and Operability Study (HAZOP) with contractors.
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Periodic meetings planned. Two advisory board updates.
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Work packages and duration are described.
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Monthly quarterly and annual reports, as well as final report and decommissioning findings.
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) in place.
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative – detailed and included.
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Strong in kind match.

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APPLICANT NAME: Dublin Offshore Technology

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Deployment of the Load Reduction Device (LRD) at ¼ scale in an offshore test site for the purposes of validation of operational performance, mechanical design, and confirmation of the scalability of the unit.
 - Project 2
 1. Delivers a certified Load Reduction Device which is designed specifically for integration within the mooring system of the VolturnUS+ at Castine
 2. Being delivered to Prototype Certification stage with DNV in the project, including receipt of Statement of Compliance on the Design Basis, SoC for Mechanical Design, SoC for Fabrication, and SoC for Performance
 3. Is the project to be conducted (TBC)?
 - Project 3
 1. Delivery of the LRD to site in Castine, and the initial deployment of the technology within the baseline mooring system
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. University of Maine (UMaine) – data validation, marine operations planning, project direction
 - Subcontractor 2 (if applicable)
 1. Carbon Trust – project dissemination, industry outreach
 - Subcontractor 3
 1. Downeast Yacht Services – crane barge and local tug provider
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Minimally addresses information requested by the request for applications (RFA)

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APPLICANT NAME: Dublin Offshore Technology

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- Deploy load reduction device; innovative mooring component offering bespoke non-linear mooring response which reduces peak loads by up to 80% while also reducing cost and risk.
- Leverage two ongoing projects – LOADCERT/FORESEA; \$1 million already spent to date

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Additional funds will allow validation and post processing of data, operations and maintenance procedures include post installation and decommissioning assessment, addition of carbon trust for stakeholder engagement and report review/dissemination

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Includes various pre- and post-installation activities; requires UMaine delivering actions beyond routine site visits, acknowledged with budget included
- Installation methodology for 12-month deployment developed with UMaine includes failure mitigation strategy and emergency response plan

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Discussed above

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Plan discussed

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- Biofouling potential and mooring line loads
- Diver surveys will be utilized to assess biofouling

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- To be discussed in line with United States Coast Guard and DNV guidelines/requirements

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Framework discussed

9. Gantt Chart

- Provided, somewhat high level

10. Reports and Publications

- Framework discussed

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Some agreements already in place with UMaine

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EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

- Not provided

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APPLICANT NAME: Dublin Offshore Technology

DATE: October 23, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction – Not Provided
 - Project 1: Carbon Trust
 1. The project involved deployment of the load reduction device (LRD) at ¼ scale in an offshore test site for the purposes of validation of operational performance, mechanical design, and confirmation of the scalability of the unit.
 - Project 2: ORE Catapult
 1. The LOADCERT project delivers a certified Load Reduction Device which is designed specifically for integration within the mooring system of the VolturnUS+ at Castine. The project includes significant collaboration between bidder and the University of Maine (UMaine) on the mooring design, system acceptance, and project requirements.
 - Project 3: Marine Institute
 1. The FORSEA project supports the delivery of the LRD to site in Castine, and the initial deployment of the technology within the baseline mooring system.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: University of Maine
 1. UMaine are a key long-term collaborator of Dublin Offshore (DO). The deployment of the LRD at Castine is the result of detailed technical and commercial engagement between UMaine and DO over a number of years. In this project UMaine will work on validating the raw data collected offshore, assisting with marine operations planning, reviewing data processing, and overall project direction.
 - Subcontractor 2: Carbon Trust
 1. The Carbon Trust are a key part of the floating offshore wind (FOW) industry in Maine. They have also been a partner on previous deployments of the LRD.
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided chart
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)

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EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

- Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Provided
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Provided
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Funds would allow DO and UMaine to work closely together during the operation of the LRD on the VoltturnUS+ to jointly maximize the industrial research outcomes.
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Plan provided
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Plan provided
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Plan provided
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - A final strategy for communications to facilitate safe and efficient operations and maintenance will be developed in line with the project Hazard and Operability Study (HAZOP) workshop with marine contractors. Installation safety and guidelines will be consistent with United States Coast Guard (USCG) and Certification body DNV.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Provided
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided for a year
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Provided
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged legal agreements
- III. Budget
 1. Budget narrative provided
- IV. Cost Sharing
 1. Letters documenting match commitments not provided

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APPLICANT NAME: Dublin Offshore Technology

DATE: 10/15/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: The organization overview is not included in statement of qualifications but is included later in the proposal: Dublin Offshore is a global leader in mooring system innovation through load reduction devices. The devices optimize mooring performance while reducing costs, risks, and supply chain challenges. The 3 example projects are relevant to the mooring topic area in the Request for Applications (RFA).
 - Project 1: Load reduction device (LRD) deployment offshore Ireland
 1. Brief Description of Project: Deployed a ¼ scale load reduction device in Ireland at a test site. Led the design, fabrication, delivery, and operations. Funded by the Carbon Trust Accelerator Program
 - Project 2: Load reduction deployment in mooring system at UMaine demonstrator
 1. Brief Description of Project: The applicant is delivering a load reduction device to the University of Maine (UMaine) demonstrator soon, funded by Innovate UK and coordinated through the Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult. Project is called LOADCERT. Later in the application, the applicants note that LOADCERT is an ongoing design, fabrication, component testing, and certification project.
 - Project 3: Load reduction deployment for the baseline mooring system at UMaine demonstrator
 1. Brief Description of Project: The applicant is delivering a load reduction device to the UMaine demonstrator because there is no suitable site in Ireland. Funded by the Irish Marine Institute. Project is called FORESEA. Later in the application, the applicants note that FORESEA is a system integration and deployment of the load reduction system at the UMaine demonstration site. Funding shortfalls limit the outreach and communication regarding the FORESEA project.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: University of Maine
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: The University of Maine is the owner and operator of the demonstration project listed in the RFA. Through this

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources
application, UMaine will validate the raw data collected offshore, support operations, review data processing, and provide overall project direction.

- Subcontractor 2: Carbon Trust
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications:
Carbon Trust is a global advisory on carbon reduction with significant experience working with the State of Maine. Their role in this project is to disseminate project results and conduct outreach to industry.
- Subcontractor 3: Downeast Yacht Services
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications:
Downeast Yacht Services will provide a crane barge to support the deployment of the mooring system.

3. Organizational Chart
 - Included an overview for the project
4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed
5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete (different format and amount)

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives
 - To reduce costs, supply chain constraints, and risks due to mooring load and fatigue
2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - In complement to the LOADCERT and FORESEA project, this application is to complete the scope, validation, and operational monitoring post-installation. Learnings will be captured for Maine-based companies and engineers in this world first operation.
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - The deployment plan aims at 12 months. Major risks and mitigations are addressed. The vessel plans are coordinated with UMaine. Carbon Trust will share learnings through the Floating Offshore Wind Joint Industry Programme. The scope of this application and how it relates to the other two funded projects would benefit from more definition.
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - The operations and maintenance plan includes inspections, monitoring, sensor replacement, and decommissioning.

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EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - The data collection, analysis and sharing plan will follow guidelines from regional and national entities. Data will be linked through the existing Ethernet or SD card. Data will be made publicly available in consultation with UMaine and the Department of Energy Resources (DOER, formerly the Governor's Energy Office [GEO]).
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - The plan includes monitoring for biofouling potential and monitoring for mooring line loads.
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - The strategy is brief with task to develop a final strategy in line with the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the certification body, DNV.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Covered as listed in the RFA
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included to cover 12 months with 4 different work packages
 - Narrative includes descriptions of key personnel
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Noted and will be developed in consultation with DOER and UMaine
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - The applicant and UMaine have existing non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) in place as well as a site access agreement (to be updated). The applicant will also include a multi-party NDA with Carbon Trust.
- III. Budget – Table included. Majority of the budget for personnel, subcontractors, and vessel support.
1. Budget Narrative – matches the table. Budget narrative clarifies relationship between this applications and other example projects: Existing funding does not cover the performance monitoring of the LRD and VoltturnUS+ system in detail and sharing of robust results.
- IV. Cost Sharing
1. Letters documenting match commitments – no specific letter from the applicant documenting match

Note the Technical Assessment form was submitted in the PDF.

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Weak evidence. Would need to ensure compliance.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Does not address.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Weak evidence. Would need to ensure compliance.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Weak evidence. Would need to ensure compliance.

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Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: States that they do not meet requirement.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: State that they do not meet requirement.
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Weak evidence. Would need to ensure compliance.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation:	
MaineIT		

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H1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation:
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Policy cited could not be located in provided documents.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation:
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response speaks to hosting solution instead of application.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response speaks to hosting solution instead of application.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>SOM should ensure these requirements are defined if bidder is selected.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Weak evidence; lacking in explicit detail regarding Cost, Timing and Format.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Unable to locate policies cited.</i>

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S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Unable to locate policies cited.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Unable to locate policy cited. Response contradicts SOM's requirement.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Unable to locate policy cited.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Bidder (implementer) does not respond but does on behalf of product (Microsoft 365).</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>bidder (implementer) does not respond but does on behalf of product (Microsoft 365).</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Did not find cited policy.</i>

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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Cited policy not included.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Weak evidence.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>

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CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Insufficient evidence.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Insufficient evidence.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Insufficient evidence.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>

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CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Partial response, however cited policy not found.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Partial response, however cited policy not found. Doesn't necessarily align with OIT's list.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Referenced policies not found.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Referenced policies not found.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Referenced policies not found.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Referenced policies not found.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not found.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, Referenced policies not found.</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not found.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, Referenced policies not found.</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, Referenced policies not found.</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not found.</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, Referenced policies not found.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, Referenced policies not found.</i>

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N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Partial response, Referenced policies not found.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: no documentation provided about the GDPR policy or the MS Trust Center
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation provided does not address Maine FOAA
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: DOT-IN-GDPR Policy on PII document has not been provided
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: DOT-IN-GDPR Policy on PII document has not been provided
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: YES
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: DOT-IN-GDPR Policy on PII document has not been provided
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:

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		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	HIPAA BAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	HITECH	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> NA

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	Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Does not need to comply with IRS rules
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NA
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Does not need to comply with IRS rules
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	

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Medicaid Information	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Yes Weak GDPR Policies documentation was not provided.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Provide URL list of vendors	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: DOT-INT-BCDR policy documentation was not provided	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: DOT-INT-BCDR policy documentation was not provided	

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	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>MS Trust center documention not provided.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>DOT-INT-BCDR policy documentation was not provided</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>DOT-INT-BCDR policy documentation was not provided</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>DOT-INT-CAD policy not provided</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>DOT-INT-BCDR policy documentation was not provided does mention data format will be defined by the State</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-ITS Policy and DOT-INT-BCDR</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-EO Policy and DOT-INT-Ethics Policy.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Does not met 24 hour notification standard (72)
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-CRS Policy
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided MS Trust Center
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-ITS Policy.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-CAD
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided

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	(WCAG 2.1) to ensure usability for users with disabilities. DOT-INT Digital Accessibility and Usability
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT Remote Hosting
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-Data Exchange
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-Info Security.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Access Control Policy was not provided
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-User Access Management
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Did not provide documentation to explain Risk assessment process
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vulnerability scanning process documentation has not been provided
CSP13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> security assessment process documentation not provided
CSP14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT System Integrity and Monitoring Policy
CSP15	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-Configuration Management Policy
CSP16	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT- Responsible Use of Gen AI
CSP17	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT- Network Connectivity and VPN Policy
CSP18	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-3rd Party ID
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-HSE
N2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-TRG
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation:
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-BCDR Policy
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-ITS Policy
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-Ethics Policy, DOT-INT-EO Policy, DOT-INT-TRG Training Policy.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT continuity and disaster recovery, DOT-INT-BCDR Policy.</i>
N7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-Ethics Policy, DOT-INT-EO Policy, DOT-INT-PII Policy</i>
N8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided</i>
N9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-ITS Policy.</i>
N10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT-SCP Policy</i>
N11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided DOT-INT, DOT-INT-ITS Policy.</i>
N12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided under DOT-INT-GDPR Policy and DOT-INT-ITS Policy.</i>
N13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided</i> DOT-INT-CRS Policy and DOT-INT-BCDR Policy
N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Referenced policies not provided</i>

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APPLICANT NAME: Geo Subsea

DATE: October 17, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction – Geo Subsea (Prime) has extensive experience in coastal and offshore monitoring, marine surveys, and offshore wind.
 - Project 1 – Vineyard Wind 1
 1. Managed offshore survey operations 2016-2023
 - Project 2 – Wageningen Marine Research
 1. Deployed Scout 2 unmanned underwater vehicle (UUV) for seagrass and oyster reef mapping
 - Project 3 – NOWRDC Solicitation 4.0
 1. Ongoing research on UUV operation near floating wind components for environmental data collection
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1- Lobster Robotics
 1. UUV deployment, optical mapping, and mosaic generation
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Completed and included
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
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- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Evaluate benthic habitat impacts and biofouling around mooring anchors using autonomous imagery
 - Deliver high-resolution, geo-referenced mosaics of seabed and mooring areas, enabling temporal change detection
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Proposes to use Scout 2 UUV to map 100 m² around each of four moorings and comparable control area
 - Integrates imagery into georeferenced habitat maps for baseline and impact comparison
 - Demonstrates scalable, repeatable, non-invasive methodology
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

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- 5-day vessel operation
- Coordination with the University of Maine (UMaine) for logistics – costs acknowledged
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - No turbine access required, minimal maintenance expected
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Data in standard formats – analysis per Coastal Marine Ecological Classification System (CMECS) and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) guidance
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Technology not new, but new for floating offshore wind (FOW) application
 - Evaluation through regular reporting and performance metrics
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Detailed plan to be reviewed by Maine Coordination Team (MCT) before operations
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Periodic check ins, deliverable reviews, and 2 virtual updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided with milestones and personnel
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Periodic reports and final report
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Ready to sign all UMaine agreements
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative – complete and clear; indirect costs minimal; costs aligned with tasks
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Memo included documenting match via reduced rates, in kind data processing, and additional effort

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APPLICANT NAME: GEO Subsea

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Established in 2015, with experience in coastal and offshore environments and the Gulf of Maine (GoM)
 2. Leverage advanced underwater mapping technology via Unmanned Underwater Vehicle (UUV)
 3. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Commercial offshore wind array – oversaw offshore surveys, data acquisition, permit compliance/support
 - Project 2
 1. Deployed UUV for mapping seagrass meadows and oyster reefs over large area at high resolution
 - Project 3
 1. Project to adapt UUV (sensors, payloads) for deeper offshore environments
 2. Project to be conducted (TBC)
 4. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. Lobster Robotics – UUV provider, Dutch startup specializing in underwater mapping using innovative and autonomous technologies/robotics, automation, and data processing
 5. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 6. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 7. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Evaluate the impacts to benthic habitats by floating offshore wind (FOW) mooring anchors and document the biofouling present on the exposed anchors and mooring cables close to the seabed.
 - Adapts technology to deeper water depths; previously implemented in Europe and Asia
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

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- Proprietary in-house software will be used to create accurate georeferenced photomosaics of the seafloor (similar to the concept used in Google Earth), which provides an extremely valuable tool in creating accurate habitat maps and observing changes in habitat communities and biofouling activity over time.
 - Marine Data Transfer System (MDTS) – communicate data/results; UUV – photo mosaics/data collection
 - Discusses risks associated with use of UUV, inherent risks associated with on-water work
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Require the use of the onsite workboat for a 5-day period which includes: 1-day of mobilization, 3 days of survey operations, 1-day of demobilization.
 - Acknowledge potential for additional needs, e.g., specialized UUV handling support, dockside mobilization assistance
 - Have not identified subcontractors for on-water or dockside work
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Access to turbine/structure not required; need permission to operate UUV below and around the underwater mooring components
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - The primary means of data sharing planned is via Geo SubSea's proprietary Marine Data Transfer System (MDTS) which will house a project specific webmap and data dispensary for all invited users.
 - Temporary access to data?
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - No new technology demonstrated; new application
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Framework described
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Described at a high level
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Described at a high level
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Provided

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III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Detailed, well-justified

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

- Provided

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APPLICANT NAME: Geo SubSea LLC

DATE: October 15, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification – Geo SubSea (GSS), established in 2015, is a BlueTech small business specializing in supporting the growth of the offshore renewable energy sector. As a pioneer in the U.S. offshore wind industry since the early 2000s, they bring extensive expertise in deploying and testing innovative monitoring and BlueTech solutions in both coastal and offshore environments, with particular emphasis on data quality, habitat protection, and stakeholder engagement.
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 - Vineyard Offshore/Vineyard Wind
 - Project 2 - Wageningen Marine Research
 - Project 3 – National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC) (States of California and New York)
 3. Subcontractors – Provided
 - Lobster Robotics
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided in detail
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. This proposal brings together the complementary strengths of Geo SubSea and Lobster Robotics to demonstrate innovative BlueTech solutions for coastal and offshore monitoring. Geo SubSea contributes decades of experience in survey management, environmental studies, and regulatory compliance within the U.S. offshore wind industry, while Lobster Robotics delivers next-generation autonomous underwater vehicles capable of producing seamless, geo-referenced image mosaics at unprecedented resolution and scale.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Bidder's proposed research study will demonstrate the ability to: evaluate the impacts to benthic habitats by floating offshore wind mooring anchors and document the biofouling present on the exposed anchors and mooring cables close to the seabed.

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Technology (OIT)

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- GSS's planned benthic mapping surveys are estimated to require the use of the onsite workboat for a 5-day period which includes: 1 day of mobilization, 3 days of survey operations, and 1 day of demobilization

4. Risk Identification & Mitigation

- There is the possibility of the unmanned underwater vehicle (UUV) experiencing minor damage from brushing up against a mooring anchor or cable. Careful planning of the underwater mission to avoid the anchor locations and cables will be done (specific anchor locations will be obtained from the university).

5. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- As previously stated, there is no plan to install sensors on the VoltturnUS+ test turbine so access to the physical floating structure is not required.

6. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Acquisition of data will be in standard industry file formats suitable for distribution and use with a variety of common software platforms.

7. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- The proposed study is not demonstrating new technologies to the offshore industry, but they are new technologies to be implemented for floating offshore wind projects in Maine and the US. Our status reports (monthly, quarterly, annual) will address performance and expectations met or exceeded with details.

8. Safety Communications Strategy

- A comprehensive Health, Safety, and Environment (HSE) plan inclusive of an Emergency Response Plan (ERP) will be delivered to the Maine Coordination Team (MCT) prior to the field program for review
- A float plan will be filed with the MCT and United States Coast Guard (USCG) documenting full details of the field survey activities and schedule
- Full communications will be available with the vessel throughout the program while offshore
- End of the day communications to the above organizations will document safe return of the vessel to the dock

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- Geo SubSea will further adhere to any other HSE procedures that the MCT cares to implement for this study
- 9. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Geo SubSea plans to consult with the MCT and other entities identified by the Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]) and the Request for Applications (RFA) Coordinator throughout the project (kickoff meeting, monthly check ins, quarterly meetings). The team will submit each deliverable (interim and final) twice and provide GEO/ DOER two weeks to review each iteration
- 10. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year with detail about personnel
- 11. Reports and Publications
 - Geo SubSea intends to submit high quality, concise, and comprehensive reports to document activities according to the timelines laid out in Section 2F of the RFA
- 12. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Geo SubSea fully agrees to sign legal agreements as needed with the State of Maine to execute this contract.
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative included and matches budget table
 - 2. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Cost sharing letter provided

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EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: GeoSubsea (GSS) is a small business based in Connecticut supporting the offshore renewable energy sector through innovation and monitoring services. The company participates in regional offshore research organizations, such as the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) and the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), listed in the Request for Applications (RFA). The 3 project examples are relevant to the RFA topics, biofouling potential and seafloor conditions.
 - Project 1: Field Program for Vineyard Wind 1
 1. Brief Description of Project: GSS served as field program management for Vineyard Wind 1 from 2016-2023, overseeing offshore surveys, Construction and Operations Plan (COP) section development, data acquisition, and permit compliance support on multiple environmental topics.
 - Project 2: Oyster Reef Monitoring (Subcontractor Lobster Robotics or LR)
 1. Brief Description of Project: Lobster Robotics (LR) demonstrated its Scout Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV) by mapping seagrass and oyster reefs on the seafloor at cm resolution with reduced costs to improve impact assessments.
 - Project 3: Underwater vehicle for floating wind farms (GSS and LR)
 1. Brief Description of Project: Funded through the National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC) Solicitation 4, the Scout Unmanned Underwater Vehicle (UUV) will be adapted for deep offshore deployment off California for floating wind farms.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: Lobster Robotics (LR)
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: Lobster Robotics is a Dutch startup developing maneuverable, small underwater robots for high resolution optical mapping for various applications and decision-making. LR will contribute advanced underwater mapping technology to acquire high resolution benthic data within the turbine footprint and surrounding area.

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3. Organizational Chart
 - Included for project with individual names and roles
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed – no litigation
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
1. Objectives
 - Evaluate impacts to benthic habitats by floating offshore wind mooring anchors
 - Document the biofouling present on the exposed anchors and mooring cables close to the seabed
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - The UUV will be used to obtain ultra-high resolution visual imagery from around the anchor moorings of the VoltturnUS+ floating turbine, as well as the portions of the mooring cables nearest the seafloor. LR has proprietary in-house software which will be used to create accurate georeferenced photomosaics of the seafloor (similar to the concept used in Google Earth), which helps create accurate habitat maps and document changes in habitat communities and biofouling over time.
 - Mention a Maine Coordination Team (Governor's Energy Office, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER], Department of Marine Resources [DMR], University of Maine [UMaine], Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium, other state agencies) for a distribution list.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - LR UUV will map 100 m² area around moorings and mooring lines and compare to a reference area 500-1000 m away with similar habitat to infer impacts
 - Will need an onsite workboat for 5 days
 - The applicant notes they will scope unanticipated needs with UMaine and potentially adjust project budget later, which is not possible according to state requirements.
 - GSS will deploy the Marine Data Transfer System (MTDS) to communicate data and interpret results.
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- No plan to install sensors on the turbine so direct access is not required. Permission will be needed to operate below and around the mooring components underwater. Risks (including safety risks) and mitigations are identified.

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Primary means of sharing data is the MDTs, which is available to invited users. Applicants describe this platform as previously used to share data with state and federal agencies and Tribes, which will be important for this project. Also note that publicly available sonar and visual imagery will be available for review online and merged. Data files will be distributed to national and regional entities identified by DOER.
- Data analysis according to the Coastal Marine Ecological Classification System (CMECS), which is a plus.
- Will follow NIST requirements as applicable.

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- Not demonstrating new technology but a new application

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Applicants note significant experience managing and performing offshore work
- Will follow Maine suggestions for safe communications

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- As listed in RFA

9. Gantt Chart

- Included for 12 months with brief bios on p. 14-15

10. Reports and Publications

- As listed in RFA

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Applicant notes intention to sign

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – budget narrative matches budget table. Vessel support budgeted. Question about shipping UUV in time period.

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments – Detailed letter of commitment of match included from GEO Subsea

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TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Weak evidence.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response indicated they do not comply.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response indicated they do not comply.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response indicated they do not comply.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response indicated they do not comply.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Response indicates they do not comply.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Response indicates they do not comply.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	<i>Explanation: No items listed</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: Evidence not supplied</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Links provided and the included document do not address back-up and disaster recovery of hosting provider.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Links provided and the included document do not address NIST best practices for change requests, incident management, problem management, and service desk of hosting provider.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Link provided to SiteGround website blog regarding backup/recover, data retention, and disaster recovery of a contracted/hosted application solution</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Links provided and the included document do not address application management and design standards.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Links provided and the included document do not address engaging Maine using Service Level Agreements.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Partial compliance as the response does not address cost or format.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response did not include a security plan.
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: The response states compliance with subcontractor control.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response states non-compliance and they do not anticipate having access to SoM information systems.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: The documentation included indicates a low to moderate risk appetite.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: The response addresses the control.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.

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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was no and the respondent stated that no application would be deployed on SoM information systems.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.

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CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was a restatement of the control.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was No and states that GenAI is not part of the bid
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response was No and states that VPN is not used

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CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The response is No and states that they do not anticipate having access to SoM information systems.
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: The response states compliance with the control.
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Response is No and states they will not handle PII.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>

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N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Attached document provides evidence.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No other comments</i>

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TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: GSS Compliance doc to address Not provided
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Answer not clear
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: GSS will not collect, transmit, or store data containing personal information.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: GSS will not collect, transmit, or store data containing personal information.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: GSS will not collect, transmit, or store data containing personal information.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No

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		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i> Not applicable to GSS' SoW as outlined in the RFA.
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	HIPAA BAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	HITECH	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak <i>Explanation:</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response <i>Explanation:</i> NO

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	Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: GSS will not collect, transmit, or store any personal tax information, state or federal.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	Explanation: GSS will not collect, transmit, or store any personal tax information, state or federal.
		Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	Explanation:
		Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	

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Medicaid Information	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	No - GSS will not collect, transmit, or store any DMV information.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: No products being sold	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: There are no products being sold	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided, Links are included for vendors.	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation:</i> .
H3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided, Links are included for vendors.
A1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> YEs
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided, Links are included for vendors.
A2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> YEs
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided, Links are included for vendors..
A3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided, Links are included for vendors.
A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Does not mett free of charge or format..
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided does not expect to States information Systems

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S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided subcontractor will comply
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No access to agency or Maine Systems
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Risk Appetite Statement provided
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Geo SubSea NIST Summary Document provided, agrees to follow OIT Policy and Framework NIST SP 800-171r3 guidance
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for authentication
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: no evidence provide</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: they still met the deployment cert process.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Digital Accessibility</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Remote Hosting</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Data Exchange Policy</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Information Secuirty Policy</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Information Access Control Policy</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Information</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Information</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Restates policy but does not give any indication if met policy requirements</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Security Assessment</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for security information and Integrity</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: : NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Configuration Management Policy</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : GenAI is not being used</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : VPNs are not used.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: : Subcontractors do not have access to Maine's information systems.</i>
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: To the best of their knowledge us verses a full commitment not to use prohibited technology.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Physical and Environmental Protection.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Awareness and Training</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Planning</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Audit and Accountability</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Personnel Security</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Contingency Planning</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Neither Geo Subsea nor its subcontractors will acquire, transmit, or store PII.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Identification and Authentication</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Incident Response</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for System and Communication Protection</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Maintenance</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Encrypting all geophysical CUI at rest and in transit; control removable media; sanitize before disposal (NIST 800-88r1).</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: NIST Summary Document provided with explanation of NIST 800-17r3 requirements for Supply Chain and Risk Management</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: No other comments</i>

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APPLICANT NAME: Gulf of Maine Research Institute

DATE: October 17, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience – Gulf of Maine Research Institute (GMRI) established Maine-based nonprofit research institution with strong record in coastal and offshore ecological, fisheries, and blue technology work
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 – University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science (UMCES) – Chesapeake Biological Lab
 1. Six-year project using ARIS to study ecology in Chesapeake Bay
 - Project 2 – UMCES – Maryland Department of Natural Resources
 1. Pilot study using Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar (ARIS) deployments to estimate Atlantic sturgeon spawning
 - Project 3 – Quahog Bay Conservancy
 1. Long term Casco Bay Aquatic Systems Survey (CBASS)
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included and complete, showing project leadership and reporting hierarchy
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Included
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Use ARIS 1800 to monitor fish community composition, abundance, and habitat use beneath and around VoltturnUS+ platform
 - Characterize species aggregation or behavioral shifts
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Cites extensive scientific literature on floating offshore wind (FOW) ecological effects and need for fish community data
 - Sonar offers high-resolution, non-invasive monitoring of fish near turbines
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - ARIS will be mounted on VoltturnUS+ turbine via custom bracket, powered and weatherproofed using pelican case housing

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- No vessel time requested, site access limited to routine platform visits
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Data retrieval planned via periodic site visits
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Collected in standard ARIS file formats – details data products and public release
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Technology is well-established but novel for FOW
 - Evaluation metrics include image resolution, detection range, and temporal consistency
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Says risk is minimal due to fixed, stationary deployment
 - GMRI staff are trained in marine safety
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Plan references coordination with the Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER], University of Maine (UMaine), and Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
 - Regular check ins and deliverable review cycles
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Clearly delineates tasks, milestones, and personnel
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Periodic reports
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged intent to review and sign
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative – included and detailed – primary costs are personnel, ARIS rental, indirect costs, and supplies for mount and weatherproofing
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Match letter documents cash contribution

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APPLICANT NAME: Gulf of Maine Research Institute

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar (ARIS; SoundMetrics, Bellevue, WA) to characterize the spatial ecology and schooling dynamics of juvenile Atlantic menhaden (*Brevoortia tyrannus*) within estuarine tributaries of Chesapeake Bay
 - Project 2
 1. Pilot study to determine if a combination of transect and fixed-site ARIS deployments could be used to quantify the size and phenology of the Atlantic Sturgeon spawning run in Chesapeake Bay, including survey design and led ARIS field operations, data management, and image analysis.
 - Project 3
 1. Suite of on-the-water monitoring activities specifically designed to document, quantify, and predict ongoing and future ecological changes in Casco Bay, including beach seine surveys, eDNA collection, hook-and-line surveys, and acoustic surveys.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Statement provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Collect imaging sonar and temperature data at turbine
 - The duration of this experiment would make it a unique and valuable addition to the growing body of literature on the impacts of floating offshore wind (F-OSW) farms on marine ecosystems; no published studies have used continuously collected, remotely

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sensed data to characterize the dynamics of fish populations around F-OSW.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Despite limited direct F-OSW monitoring, studies indicate that F-OSW platforms may serve to promote aggregation or otherwise alter the spatial distributions of pelagic species.
- Propose to fix an Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar 1800 (ARIS) to the side of the VoltturnUS+ platform and record the characteristics of the marine organisms that use the area beneath and around the turbine.
- A HOBO pendant temperature logger (LI-COR Environmental, Lincoln NE) will be fixed to the side of the ARIS to concurrently record temperature data at a 5 minute frequency, as temperature is often a major driver of fish distribution and movement patterns.
- Data will be collected continuously from mid-April 2026 to mid-October 2026, allowing for the estimation of length distributions and community composition at diel and seasonal temporal scales

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Equipment to be fixed to turbine platform via mountain plate/deployment arm; requires 15 meter data transfer cable
- External contractor to fabricate deployment arm; no subcontractor identified in proposal
- Appears that deployment can be accomplished from the deck of the VoltturnUS+ platform and will not require additional vessel support or trips.

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- utilize the scheduled weekly maintenance trip to the VoltturnUS+ platform to service the ARIS and swap external hard drives
- monitor/manage sediment accumulation depending on biofouling rates

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Analyze ARIS data for presence of fish and shoaling/schooling behavior; image pre-processing/filtering/duty cycle plus manual observation (innovative?)
- Data recorded include timestamps, depth, length, abundance, temperature; output CSV files

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- Generalized Linear Mixed-effects Models (GLMMs) will be used to examine the effect of daylight, temperature, and tidal stage on the abundance, body length, and depth of the full suite of observed fishes. Nonmetric multidimensional scaling (NMDS) and k-means clustering analyses will be used to identify statistically significant changes in community composition at a seasonal scale.
 - Results, and the interpretation of the ecological significance of the study, will be presented both as a final report to the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now the Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), and as a peer-reviewed article submitted to an appropriate journal
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - No new technology/ methods
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Approach discussed at a high level
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Detailed description of methodology/ approach
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Aim to publish results in peer-reviewed journal
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Discussed
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative
 - Provided, sufficiently detailed
- IV. Cost Sharing
1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Provided

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APPLICANT NAME: Gulf Of Maine Research

DATE: October 15, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification – Not Provided
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 - Sonar imaging to characterize the fine-scale spatial ecology and schooling dynamics of juvenile Atlantic menhaden
 - Project 2 - Atlantic sturgeon spawning run estimates in the Marshyhope-Nanticoke River system, Maryland
 - Project 3 - Casco Bay Aquatic Systems Survey
 3. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided in detail
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. The proposed scope of work will be split into two stages:
 - First Stage: Offline historical data analysis and modelling for floating offshore wind (FOSW) demonstrator.
 - Second Stage: Set-up of the Ozea application (Software as a Service) for live mooring integrity monitoring and fatigue assessments.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Maine's commitment to reaching 100% clean energy by 2040 has accelerated the planning and development of floating offshore wind FOSW in the Gulf of Maine (GoM)
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Prior to deployment, Lankowicz and Sherwood (Principal Investigators [PIs]) will meet with University of Maine (UMaine) engineers to identify the spot on the VoltturnUS+ platform to which the Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar (ARIS) will be secured. Prior to deployment, Lankowicz and Sherwood will meet with UMaine engineers to identify the spot on the VoltturnUS+ platform to which

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- the ARIS will be secured and the preferred fastening method the preferred fastening method
- 4. Risk Identification & Mitigation
 - Plan not provided
- 5. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Lankowicz will use the scheduled weekly maintenance trip to the VoltturnUS+ platform to service the ARIS and swap external hard drives.
- 6. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Lankowicz will analyze ARIS data for the presence of fish. To date, the most common and accurate method of enumerating and characterizing target objects in ARIS data is manual observation (Munnelly et al. 2024 and references therein)
 - Provided Data Collection and Storage Architecture Diagram
- 7. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - All software, hardware, and analytic methods proposed have been established as scientifically sound through dozens of studies, which have been appropriately referenced within this proposal
- 8. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Standards for scheduling, protocols, and risk identification/ mitigation will be clearly established between the Gulf of Maine Research Institute (GMRI) team, the UMaine team, Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), and the Maine Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]) prior to visiting the VoltturnUS+ platform.
- 9. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - An initial meeting between GMRI scientists, UMaine engineers, the Maine GEO/ DOER, and any other necessary partners will be used to confirm all parties fully understand the intended workplan and can voice any concerns.
- 10. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year
- 11. Reports and Publications
 - Interim deliverables (Monthly, quarterly, annual reports) and the final report will be constructed and delivered as described in Part II, Section F of the RFA. In addition, data collected for this project will be used to write a peer-reviewed article submitted to an appropriate journal.

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12. Signed Legal Agreements

- Sherwood, Lankowicz, and Whitman (“GMRI scientists”) agree to sign a non-disclosure agreement (NDA) with the University of Maine to protect the confidentiality of their technology

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided in detail with cost share

2. Letters documenting match commitments

- Cost sharing letter provided

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APPLICANT NAME: GMRI

DATE: 10/17/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience:
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: Statement of Qualifications required in Request for Applications (RFA) is not included. One of the example projects demonstrates experience with Atlantic sturgeon, an Endangered Species Act (ESA) listed species that uses Gulf of Maine (GoM) and river habitats with relevance to the RFA. A second relevant example project demonstrates G. Sherwood's experience working with various surveys techniques and eDNA to characterize ocean warming-related changes and abundance and habitat use of nearshore species like herring, alewife, sand lance, silversides, and more. Example project 1 has less direct relevance to the RFA.
 - Project 1: Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar for Chesapeake Bay
 1. Brief Description of Project: GMRI researcher (assumed) K. Lankowicz planned and implemented a project to use sonar to characterize the spatial ecology and school of juvenile Atlantic Menhaden in Chesapeake Bay
 - Project 2: Atlantic sturgeon spawning run estimates in the Marshyhope-Nanticoke River system, Maryland.
 1. Brief Description of Project: K. Lankowicz participated in a pilot study using sonar to quantify the size and phenology of the spawning run of Atlantic sturgeon in Chesapeake Bay.
 - Project 3: Casco Bay Aquatic Systems Surveys
 1. Brief Description of Project: use of eDNA and surveys to characterize nearshore fish populations and habitat use due to Casco Bay warming.
 2. Subcontractors
 - none included
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included for project. Staff biographies included on page 24 – qualified team.
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed. No litigation.
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Use of imaging sonars to identify individual fish, assess species richness and behaviors to inform responsible floating offshore wind development
- Relevant to the RFA topic area - water column and seafloor conditions (biological) beneath and around the turbine

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- See objectives above
- Propose to fix an Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar to the side of the demonstration platform and record the characteristics of the marine organisms that use the area around and beneath the turbine.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Deployment of the sonar with continuous remote data collection on fish populations from mid-April to mid-October 2026 to allow estimates of length distributions and community composition at daily and seasonal scales. Will cover the full 25 meters under the demonstration project
- Note need to coordinate with University of Maine (UMaine) engineers to identify best method of securing the sonar and data transfer cable. Application states that researchers will have an external contractor fabricate the deployment arm (a risk). Also plan to have topside electronics of deck of platform.
- Time period fits with demonstration deployment.
- Also plan to deploy a temperature logger on the sonar.
- Duration of the project will be a unique and additive addition to literature on floating offshore wind impacts
- Sonar is relatively small and fits requirements listed in the RFA

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Weekly maintenance checks – routine vessel

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Digital images of water column through sound (high frequency above hearing range of cetaceans)
- Analyze for presence of fish, schooling behavior, body length
- Proprietary .aris (Adaptive Resolution Imaging Sonar) format via special software
- Bidder notes that “all data [will be made] available on request”

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- Non-proprietary data (mp4) and data products (fish observation CSVs and temperature CSVs) will be available through open access Zenodo, an open access online research data repository. Note that, per the RFA, the applicants must work with the state to identify the most appropriate public data repository.
- Data flowchart included on page 28
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - N/A
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Briefly addressed with written documents, phone, and email.
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Addressed with meetings, virtual updates, deliverable reviews. Presentations to be conducted in June and December 2026 (if awarded will need to discuss in contracting)
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included with lead personnel identified by general task over 10-month period
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Addressed in #8 above
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Acknowledged intent to sign
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative – consistent with budget table
 - Indirect costs to cover administrative and/or legal support seem high
 - No equipment will be purchased
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments – Letter of commitment from GMRI for the cost share.

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DATE: 10/23/2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Weak evidence
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Weak evidence
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response was no and that PII is not collected.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response was no and that PII is not collected.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Response was no and that PII is not collected.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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		<i>Explanation: Response was no and that PII is not collected.</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Response was no and that tax records are not handled.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Response was no and that tax records are not handled.</i>
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Response was no.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Requirement not fully addressed.
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Lacking in sufficient detail.
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Lacking in sufficient detail.
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Lacking in sufficient detail.
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Requirement not addressed.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Partially met, verify format.
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Lacking in sufficient detail.

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S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Response was no.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation:
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation:
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation:
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>

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CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Responded no.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Responded no.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Policies and procedures indicated, but not provided.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Response indicated non-compliance.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>

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N7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient detail.</i>

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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RFP #: 202507101

RFP TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH OFFSHORE WIND

BIDDER NAME: Gulf Of Maine Research Institute

DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor did provide any information on Nist
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Data products will be available in a publicly available final report. Did not mention the compliance with Maine FOAA.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No personally identifiable information will be collected. Limited to the collection of non-sensitive ecological data
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No personally identifiable information will be collected. Limited to the collection of non-sensitive ecological data
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: No personally identifiable information will be collected. Limited to the collection of non-sensitive ecological data

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	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i>		
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i>		
		HIPAA BAA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i>	
			HITECH	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i> <i>Explanation:</i> <i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation:</i>
				Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)			
		Federal Tax Information		

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i> no
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i> No tax records being handled
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i> No
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	<i>Explanation:</i> No tax records being handled
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for	

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	Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
Medicaid Information	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	No Adequate personal information will be collected or used
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Provided URLs of equipment and software	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: YEs	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Box Enterprise cloud data security	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided Box automated backup and redundancy and DR policies
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided that Box complies with NIST security standards
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No evidence provided that BOX scure and data backup and recovery policies
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: GMRI can establish SLAs with the State as needed for performance and maintenance.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Does not mention the data format will be defined by the State
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Documentation not provided for the Information Security Plan
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No subcontractors in this work.

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S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Notify the State within 24 hours of any security incident following internal incident-response procedures and MaineIT policy expectations.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	. No documentation provided for cyber risk appetite statement
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No documentation provided to support secure, scalable architecture principles through Box Enterprises.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Does not address MS Active Directory and no Box documentation provided secure authentication
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No evidence provided on standard security practices
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>No</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Not deploying a software application but they do use software
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No documentation provided on Institutional accessibility standards
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No documentation provided Box's secure cloud-based environment with redundancy and disaster recovery.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No documentation provided securely exchanges data through Box
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No documentation provided for institutional information security policy
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No documentation provided Box's user permissions
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: No documentation to support access control procedures evidence provided</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation on IT and data security assessments in accordance with institutional policy.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No policies documented on Box regular vulnerability scanning process</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No policies provided on institutional IT security assessment and authorization processes</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No policies provided patching and data integrity checks by Box's</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No Configuration Policy provided</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YES</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Generative AI tools will not be used</i>

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CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No VPN is required.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No Identity management Policy provided
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No institutional IT policies provided.
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Physical and environment safeguard details not provided
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: YEs
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Institutional IT policy not provided
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Institutional IT policy not provided
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i> No documentation provided on <i>how Box maintains audit logs and access tracking</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> NO
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> not applicable due to the non-sensitive nature of the data and the proposed storage mechanism using.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No evidence provided
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No documentation on business continuity policy
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Authentication policy not provideds
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Incident response plan not provided.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No evidence provided
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> System maintenance and update policy not provided.
N12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> digital media and shared securely policy not provided.
N13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Documentation not provided for the institutional and industry cybersecurity standards.
N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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APPLICANT NAME: Juice Robotics

DATE: October 20, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 – JF White
 1. Built and integrated a tether management system for an aqueduct inspection remotely operated vehicle (ROV) operated by JF White for New York City Department of Environmental Protection, demonstrating complex integrations and confined-environment operations
 - Project 2 – Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI)
 1. Delivered a moored imaging array that captured 3000+ water column videos over 6 months
 - Project 3 – Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences (BIOS)
 1. Built two camera systems used to film Shark Week
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1 – INSPIRE Environmental
 1. To lead Field Operations Plan (FOP), field execution, and analysis of data
 - Subcontractor 2 – BLUEiQ
 1. To provide sensor, edge artificial intelligence (AI), and cloud sensor fusion for real time detection and geolocation with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) compatible outputs
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Included
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Demonstrate an autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV) deployed hydrophone via fiber micro tether for real-time passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) and sound field measurements to reduce construction bottlenecks and improve noise mitigation systems (NMS) evaluation

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2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Details operational bottlenecks of current PAM methods and proposes AUV based deployment with OpenEar, edge processing and cloud fusion to enable near real time, flexible monitoring
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - AUV launch from vessel or shore within 1 km, determined in FOP by Quarter 1. FOP, Juice personnel present, small boat with power for acoustic source during trials
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - No permanent installations, three discrete acoustic experiments requiring only vessel support during trials
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Operational flights plus passive acoustic experiments using known sources or automatic identification system (AIS) vessels, with open, non-proprietary data to public portals according to NOAA/ROSA standards
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Metrics for AUV endurance, station keeping, self noise, sensor positioning errors, latency, detection rates, and localization accuracy
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Juice as safety lead with direct comms with the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), Department of Marine Resources (DMR), and University of Maine (UMaine)
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Regular check ins, two advisory board updates, and deliverable reviews
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Regular reports plus academic outputs
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Referenced in budget section
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative – total request is reasonable and justified

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- IV. Cost Sharing – cost share documented in budget narrative
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments

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DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Built tether management system and integrated it into a purpose-built aqueduct inspection remotely operated vehicle (ROV).
 - Project 2
 1. Moored imaging array consisting of a large LED and camera array connected to a high-capacity battery and controller. This system operated over a 6-month period and captured over 3000 short videos of the water column.
 - Project 3
 1. Built and integrated two ultralight, deep submergence imaging systems consisting of a carbon-fiber frame, a camera, lighting, and a battery. These camera systems were used to film Discovery Channel's Shark Week.
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. INSPIRE Environmental – field operations, analysis, reporting of data
 2. Relevant offshore wind (OSW) experience
 - Subcontractor 2 (if applicable)
 1. BLUEiQ – acoustic sensing system provider
 2. Technology has achieved technology readiness level (TRL) 7 readiness through extensive in situ trials for maritime domain awareness in the Gulf of Mexico and for marine mammal monitoring in George's Bank and the Atlantic Ocean in collaboration with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Statement provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives

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- Develop and deploy a novel Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) based system to deploy an underwater acoustic sensor (OpenEar™), a low-power, software-defined hydrophone platform that integrates digitization, pre-processing, and edge AI for real-time passive acoustic monitoring.
 - Further development of the sensing platform would include a diverse array of ocean sensors (INSPIRE Environmental) to support environmental monitoring for OSW, such as underwater imagery, acoustic telemetry, and water sampling.
2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
- Reduce costs and risks associated with performing real-time passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) and sound level measurements concurrently with pile installation, while simultaneously improving the reliability of acoustic localization and opening the door for new monitoring approaches.
 - Mentions noise from underwater piledriving as part of rationale, but that activity is not planned under this project
 - Mentioned risk of entanglement, which is important to mitigate for floating OSW
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
- Require large and small boat for deployment of UAV and acoustic package, but no vessel providers identified as subcontractors
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
- No maintenance planned
 - 3 acoustic experiments over life of project, vessel support required
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
- Operational test flights will be designed to evaluate key metrics of the main robotic and communication functions of the UAV, such as the ability to station-keep in various weather conditions.
 - Passive acoustic experiments will focus on evaluating the key metrics that pertain to acoustic sensing and onboard/cloud-based processing capabilities.
 - Analysis and reporting of the collected data will coincide with the schedule for monthly/quarterly progress updates and final reporting
 - non-proprietary data will be made publicly available, timeline and plan to be determined (TBD)

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6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - UAV operation – endurance, positional accuracy
 - Acoustics – UAV self-noise characterization, sensor integration and positioning, acoustic detections and positioning
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - High level; given risks already identified it would have been helpful to discuss safety/communications in more detail.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - TBD
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Discussed at a high level
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Not discussed in this section
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative
 - Sufficiently detailed
- IV. Cost Sharing
1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Not provided

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification not provided
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - General examples, but not offshore wind (OSW) specific
 - Project 1
 1. J.F. White Contracting Company
 - Project 2
 1. Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI)
 - Project 3
 1. Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences
 3. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. INSPIRE Environmental
 2. Provided roles and qualifications
 - Subcontractor 2 (if applicable)
 1. BLUEiQ
 2. Provided roles and qualifications
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Not Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Provided
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Throughout the life cycle of an offshore wind facility, there are anthropogenic activities that generate high levels of underwater sound.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - For all tests, the unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) must take off from a large boat's deck/fantail or land-based site within 1 kilometer of the deployment site, be within a visual line-of-sight, and not be in restricted air space

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4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - All tests will be conducted in real time with nothing permanently installed or left behind; therefore, there is no plan for maintenance of equipment at the demonstration site.
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - On-site trials will collect passive acoustic and UAV flight data to evaluate the new technology against the key metrics outlined in the Technology Evaluation Plan
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - The acoustically capable UAV will be evaluated through a series of test flights and experiments at the demonstration site, as outlined in the Data Collection, Analysis and Sharing Plan
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Juice Robotics will serve as the point person for safety and will communicate all test plans directly to the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER], the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), and the University of Maine (UMaine)
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - The acoustically capable UAV will be evaluated through a series of test flights and experiments at the demonstration site, as outlined in the Data Collection, Analysis and Sharing Plan.
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided
 10. Reports and Publications
 - The expectations for reporting are as follows: The members of this partnership will work together to draft progress reports following trials or major project milestones in order to document the project development timeline. Progress reports will summarize the overall status of the project with regard to key project milestones and will be made available.
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Not mentioned or provided
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative Provided
 2. Matches table

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APPLICANT NAME: Juice Robotics

DATE: October 18, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information
Technology (OIT)

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

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DATE: 10/17/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Missing statement of qualifications for lead applicant. Statements are included for the subcontractors. Example projects are generally relevant to the Request for Applications (RFA) but not specific to offshore wind.
 - Project 1: Tether management system into a purpose built remotely operated vehicle (ROV).
 1. Brief Description of Project: Juice Robotics built the system to integrate with the Sea View Systems ROV for the New York Department of Environmental Protection
 - Project 2: Mooring imaging array for Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI)
 1. Brief Description of Project: Juice Robotics built a moored imaging array for WHOI with a large LED and camera array connected to a long duration battery and controller.
 - Project 3: Deep submergence imaging systems
 1. Brief Description of Project: Juice Robotics built two ultra-light deep submergence imaging systems for the Bermuda Institute of Biological Sciences
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1: INSPIRE Environmental
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: development lead for the Field Operations Plan (FOP), run experiments, and lead analysis of collected acoustic and underwater aerial vehicle (UAV) operational data. INSPIRE Environmental is a New England Blue Tech company with experience in offshore wind.
 - Subcontractor 2: BLUEiQ
 1. Brief Description of Anticipated Role and Qualifications: BLUEiQ will deliver the TRL 7 acoustic hydrophone as the primary payload for the UAV and will contribute a cloud-based Python package for sensor fusion. BLUEiQ has won multiple awards from the Navy and others. For this project the acoustic system will provide real time detection and classification of surface vessels and marine mammals.
 3. Organizational Chart

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- Included
- 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed, noted none
- 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 - 1. Objectives
 - This project aims to develop and deploy a novel Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV system) with an underwater acoustic sensor building on two recent U.S. patents to enable a small UAV to carry fiber optics. Path to commercialization.
 - 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - To use a UAV with acoustic sensing system connected with a microtether to provide data without impacting marine mammals
 - Note that the description of the activity references fixed offshore wind and pile driving which is not relevant to the RFA focus on floating offshore wind.
 - 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Juice Robotics will supply a prototype drone-mounted fiber winch
 - Bidder proposes to work with BLUEiQ to integrate their Gen2 OpenEar™ Sensor. BLUEiQ will be responsible for all sensor-specific work, including data collection, QA/QC, and data access. INSPIRE Environmental will be responsible for the analysis of collected data to evaluate the technology as a tool for performing real-time acoustic monitoring. INSPIRE Environmental will guide the team to tune the system for acoustic monitoring and the deployment planning.
 - Application notes the risks and mitigations. Note small entanglement risk. Concern that this activity (or the noise from the UAV) would require a federal permit. Activities involving federal permits are explicitly excluded in the RFA.
 - UAV takeoff from a large boat or land within 1 km of the deployment site, be in line of sight and not restricted air space. Acoustic testing will require a small boat.
 - 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- Tests to be conducted in real time with maintenance N/A. Vessel support only required during the passive acoustic experiments at the demonstration.
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Detailed
 - Project partners will work with state to ensure all non-proprietary data (all environmental and passive acoustic data) will be made available using existing public portals and standards.
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Testing UAV operations endurance (flight time, power draw, positional accuracy)
 - Testing acoustics (UAV self-noise characterization – potential point of concern, sensor integration and positioning, and acoustic detections and positioning)
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Juice Robotics as point of contact. More detail would be helpful.
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Briefly addressed
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included with brief biographies
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - As listed in #8
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Not addressed
- III. Budget – unclear from the PDF table which topic areas are being addressed?
 1. Budget Narrative – Budget narrative generally matches the table
- IV. Cost Sharing
 1. Letters documenting match commitments – matched proposed but missing letter of commitment

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INDIVIDUAL REVIEW NOTES - TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT

RFP #: 202507101

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BIDDER NAME: Juice Robotics

DATE: 10/23/2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated that they do not comply and is not applicable.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated that they do not comply and is not applicable.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Stated that they do not comply and is not applicable.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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		<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply and is not applicable.</i>
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply and is not applicable.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply and is not applicable.</i>
Personal Information from	<u>§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725</u>	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply and is not applicable.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
MaineIT	
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply because no state data will be collected.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient evidence.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient evidence.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient evidence.</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacking in sufficient evidence.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Stated that they do not comply.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.</i>

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N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Link provided, however no policy applicable found.

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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RFP TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH OFFSHORE WIND

BIDDER NAME: Juice Robotics

DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation Provided
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation Provided
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: PII not required
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: PII not required
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: PII not required
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: PII not required
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:

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		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak		
Explanation:		
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: no
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Federal Tax not required

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	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Federal Tax not required
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	

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Medicaid Information	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	NO adequate Personal Information not required for this work output

Bill of Materials (BoM)

(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: None
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Nothing provided

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H1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: NO
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No Hosted Data
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No Hosted Data
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: No Hosted Data
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation: NO</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No Application Solution</i>
A2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No Application Solution</i>
A3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No Application Solution</i>
A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No Application Solution</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Does not No documentation provide on security planning Nist</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: They do have subcontractors and do not address security.</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Will not affect agency or state systems</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: they do not have a document</i>

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Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: No Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak Explanation: Vendor did not provide clear answer
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: No Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak Explanation: No cloud service provider
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: No Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak Explanation: No cloud service provider
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: No Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak Explanation: No cloud service provider
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: No Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak Explanation: No cloud service provider

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CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP17	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> NO
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP18	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
CSP19	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No cloud service provider
NIST Requirements	
N1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes/No blank
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
N2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes/No blank
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed

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N3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes/No blank
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed
N4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes/No blank
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed
N5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes/No blank
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed
N6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes/No blank
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed
N7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes/No blank
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes/No blank
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes/No blank</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes/No blank</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes/No blank</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes/No blank</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: 5 IT Policies with URL do not mention NIST standard being followed</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes/No blank</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>

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APPLICANT NAME: Normandeau Associates

DATE: October 20, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction – a long-standing environmental consultancy with offshore wind expertise, blue technology services for wildlife surveying
 - Project 1 – Dominion’s Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind (CVOW) Pilot Project
 1. Deployed Acoustic and Thermographic Offshore Monitoring (ATOM) on two turbines to monitor birds and bats with sensors, achieving 95% uptime and documenting species patterns and avoidance
 - Project 2 – Equinor
 1. On a semi-submersible rig, deployed a modified ATOM configuration and operated continuously, detecting 38 species
 - Project 3 – Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)
 1. ATOM monitored 15 months and recorded bird calls, no bats detected, informing offshore permitting
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Included
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Test a flat panel radar on VoltturnUS+ across weather conditions, develop a safe mounting, establish remote data transmission, and quantify meso- and macro- avoidance and flux rates
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Addresses bird and bat activity priority by adding radar to supplement existing cameras and acoustics
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

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- Tasks cover kickoff within 30 days, hardware design, installation during University of Maine (UMaine) weekly trips, network integration, remote server set up – noting UMaine support where needed
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Access and maintenance are embedded with ongoing management via server and coordination with UMaine
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Data to be shared via ReMOTE and other portals, following Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) data guidelines which is a positive
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Lists metrics for mount reliability, continuous transmission, uptime, and dissemination outputs
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Safety via teleconferences, daily dashboards, and a methods statement and risk assessment for installation on the platform
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Periodic reports plus two updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Will follow report schedule noted above and provide comprehensive reporting of methods, results, and analysis
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Agrees to non-disclosure agreement (NDA)
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative – details award request and proposed expenditures
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Cost share from Echodyne is identified and quantified

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APPLICANT NAME: Normandeau Associates

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Bird and bat monitoring system (Acoustic and Thermographic Offshore Monitoring [ATOM]) deployed at the offshore wind (OSW) turbine array, including stereo thermographic camera, acoustic detectors, visible light camera, and antennas.
 2. Evaluated species composition, temporal variation in activity, foraging, and avoidance at the wind turbine, as well as associations with wind speed and temperature
 3. System uptime exceeded 95%; automated approach to detecting species and characterizing behaviors
 - Project 2
 1. Deployed ATOM to test autonomous monitoring of seabirds/other birds near drilling rig
 2. Produced over 50,000 composite images containing birds, recorded 38 species from 5 groups, detected three times as many species as human seabird observer
 - Project 3
 1. Deployed ATOM on the Frying Pan Shoals Light Tower located offshore North Carolina for 15 months to quantify the use of the offshore airspace by birds and bats
 2. Thermal video identified 237 tracks, acoustic data included 2,640 calls, provided data on peak migration times to inform OSW permitting process
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Statement provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives

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EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Addresses priority bullet 6 “Bird and Bat Activity” by proposing a novel approach for collecting bird and bat activity data; combined with existing visual/acoustic data will provide a comprehensive picture of micro-, meso-, and macro-scale behavior, interactions, and the timing of occurrence
 - Demonstrate remote sensing technologies that enable long-term deployment with minimal maintenance and continuous data transmission
 - Combining thermal cameras with visible-light cameras and acoustic sensors can provide all-weather detection and species identification in a single package.
2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
- Goals include:
 1. Test the effectiveness of a flat-panel radar on a floating offshore wind turbine in various weather conditions
 2. Develop a safe, effective, and easy mounting solution for the radar that can be used on future floating offshore wind turbines
 3. Create a communications framework for flat-panel radars to remotely transmit data to a server to facilitate efficient data retrieval
 4. Quantify meso- and macro- avoidance behavior along with flux rates for birds and bats
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
- To be deployed on railing of existing demonstration project via aluminum clamp and VESA mount
 - Identifies risks and mitigation methods which appear reasonable
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
- Detailed plan provided
 - Mounting hardware will need to be developed, no subcontractor identified
 - Utilize University of Maine (UMaine) weekly maintenance trip to deploy
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
- Various data portals described for public dissemination – national leader in data sharing of accessible wildlife monitoring datasets

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EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Appropriately acknowledges that there should be minimal restrictions on sharing data under publicly funded research project
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Validate reliable and secure mounting to demonstration project via continuous data transmission to remote server
 - Demonstrate high level of system uptime (95%) through data and information dissemination
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Approach described
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Framework described
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided with high level of detail
 - Several months to develop and test mounting hardware/equipment
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Interval reporting, virtual updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Discussed
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative
 - Provided with sufficient detail
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Provided

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APPLICANT NAME: Normandeau

DATE: October 18, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification: For over 50 years, Normandeau Associates, Inc. (Normandeau) has been a highly regarded United States science-based environmental consultancy, earning a reputation for excellence in understanding and solving complex natural resource and permitting issues within the energy industry
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Dominion Energy
 - Project 2
 1. Equinor
 - Project 3
 1. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)
 3. Subcontractors
 1. None
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided detail
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - None
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Provided
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Floating offshore wind is poised to become a new technology that enables the installation of offshore wind turbines in deeper waters, which would not be possible with traditional fixed foundation installations (Maxwell et al. 2022)
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - The development, installation, management, and analysis of a flat-panel radar system and associated data on the Demonstration Project will be conducted in close coordination with the University of Maine (UMaine) and the State of Maine.
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

- Identifies weekly maintenance trips
 - 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Normandeau has been a national leader in data sharing by providing accessibility to large offshore wildlife monitoring data sets through their ReMOTe portal.
 - 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Normandeau has experience testing multiple remote sensing wildlife monitoring technologies offshore, including aerial digital surveys, acoustics, cameras, and radio telemetry
 - 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Effective communication with other team members will be crucial to ensure the project's success and to ensure that safety protocols are followed, thereby minimizing the risk of accidents
 - 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Monthly progress reports will be provided to the State of Maine that summarize activities and outcomes from the previous quarter and state the plans for the next quarter; these will be provided by the 5th of each month. In addition, quarterly reports will be provided within 30 days of the end of the quarter.
 - 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year
 - 10. Reports and Publications
 - Monthly progress reports will be provided to the State of Maine, summarizing activities and outcomes from the previous quarter and outlining plans for the next quarter. These reports will be submitted by the 5th of each month
 - Publications provided
 - 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Not Provided
- III. Budget
- 1. Budget Narrative included
 - 2. Detailed Budget request
- IV. Cost Sharing
- 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Letter included

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RFA #: 202507101

RFA TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH INNOVATION: OFFSHORE WIND MONITORING AND TESTING

APPLICANT NAME: Normandeau Associates

DATE: 10/19/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience:
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction - Normandeau Associates is a United States science-based environmental consultancy with experience in all phases of offshore wind projects. They are a registered small business. Normandeau offers several data collection technologies, monitoring services, and a combined 24-hour camera/acoustics, and Motus monitoring system for avian species (collectively called the Acoustic and Thermographic Offshore Monitoring [ATOM] system).
 - All three projects have relevance to offshore wind and offshore energy, and the bird and bat monitoring topic listed in the Request for Applications (RFA).
 - Project 1: Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind (CVOW) Pilot Project – offshore bird and bat monitoring
 1. Brief Description of Project: Normandeau built and deployed the automated offshore bird and monitoring system, ATOM, for the first two turbines of the CVOW research project. The system detected species composition, temporal variation in activity, foraging, and avoidance at the turbines, as well as associations with wind speed and temperature.
 - Project 2: Equinor's seabird observation for offshore exploration and drilling campaign in Newfoundland and Labrador
 1. Brief Description of Project: Project tested the feasibility of using technology (the ATOM system) to complement human observers for monitoring interactions between seabirds and other bird species near a drilling rig.
 - Project 3: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) ATOM testing offshore North Carolina
 1. Brief Description of Project: BOEM contracted Normandeau to test deployment of the ATOM System on the Frying Pan Shoals Light Tower offshore North Carolina for 15 months to quantify the use of the offshore airspace by birds and bats.
 2. Subcontractors
 - None listed
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included for the project including key personnel and titles
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Addressed - no litigation

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5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)

- Complete

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- Test the effectiveness of a flat-panel radar on a floating offshore wind turbine in various weather conditions
- Develop a safe, effective, and easy mounting solution for the radar that can be used on future floating offshore wind turbines
- Create a communications framework for flat-panel radars to remotely transmit data to a server to facilitate efficient data retrieval
- 4. Quantify meso- and macro- avoidance behavior along with flux rates for birds and bats

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- This proposal will address Request for Applications (RFA) priority bullet 6 “Bird and Bat Activity” by proposing a novel approach for collecting bird and bat activity data using a small, relatively inexpensive, flat-panel radar able to be mounted on railings, to understand bird and bat behaviors and interactions with a turbine at a larger scale than is possible with cameras and acoustics.
- Use of multi-sensor remote sensing technology to collect data on avian species in all weather and 24/7. The data will be used to understand the potential risk to birds and bats and improve understanding of activity variability over time. These data will be used to inform risk assessments and mitigation.
- Application includes a strong description of the additive value of the proposed project and understanding of floating offshore wind needs in the Gulf of Maine (GoM).
- Application includes a table of potential risks for deployment and operations and maintenance (O&M) with risk mitigation options.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Application notes intent to coordinate with the University of Maine (UMaine) and the State of Maine
- Meetings and project management
- Develop mounting hardware (a risk) and test equipment, including purchase of the radar
- Deploy radar in person and set up remote data server

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- Manage and analyze radar data
 - Reporting
 - Decommissioning – with intent for UMaine to decommission the radar and return to Normandeau with pre-paid shipping label.
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Weekly maintenance trips
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Normandeau uses their own ReMOTe portal for data sharing. They also share data with other portals such as those listed in the RFA, which would be preferable for the State (vs. using a proprietary data server).
 - Applicant notes intention to develop a detailed data sharing plan with UMaine and the state and use guidelines from the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) which is a positive.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Includes performance metrics for the flat-panel radar use.
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Included. Applicant references significant offshore experience.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Monthly progress reports, quarterly reports, interim and final reports with two rounds of reviews on interim and final and two virtual updates to the State research consortium
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included – simple, does not list specific personnel responsible for each task.
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Applicant references section #8 above
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Applicant acknowledges their intent to sign.
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative – matches tasks listed in the application. Overall amount requested matches the budget table.
- IV. Cost Sharing
1. Letters documenting match commitments – not included

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lack of sufficient detail.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Did not address question.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: State they are not compliant.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: State they are not compliant.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: State they are not compliant.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: State they are not compliant.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lack sufficient evidence.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: State they are not compliant.</i>

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CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: State they are not compliant.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: State they are not compliant.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: State they are not compliant.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: State they are not compliant.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: State they are not compliant.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: State they are not compliant.
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: State they are not compliant.
NIST Requirements	

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N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.

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N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.

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DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Information does not apply.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Information does not apply.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Information does not apply.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Information does not apply.

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Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation: Information does not apply.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i> <i>Explanation: Information does not apply.</i>
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology	

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Medicaid Information	Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	No weak Information does not apply.
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation:	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	Explanation: Provided Echoguard URL more detailed information than just a sales pitch	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Did not provide any documentation about the configuration of the data center	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: Yes	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Did not provide any documentation about Onsite, Offsite, and Physical Air Gap backups	

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H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Information collected will be provided to the state as requested.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: <i>YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Security standards are followed by Subcontractors. No Subcontractors for this RFA.</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YES</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Agrees to inform CISO in the event of a Security Incident</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NO</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No Cyber Risk Appetite statement available.</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: NO</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: YEs</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No documentation provided on their certification process not timeframe given on completion does not indicate if currently following CMMC Level 1</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: Yes</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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APPLICANT NAME: National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

DATE: October 20, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1 – Co-Design Solutions for floating offshore wind (FOW) with the National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)
 1. Project focuses on co-designing floating offshore wind farms with fisheries in the Gulf of Maine and the Central Atlantic
 - Project 2 – FOW Array Design with Department of Energy Wind Energy Technologies Office (WETO)
 1. Project developed open-source FOW array modeling and design toolsets – included processing data from Gulf of Maine (GoM)
 - Project 3 – Standardized Scalable Mooring Project with NOWRDC
 1. Project evaluated approaches to standardizing mooring and anchoring components for FOW in California – weighing the local supply chain capacity benefits against the benefits of customization and optimization
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Organizational chart detailing project team and roles included
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Not included
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Project aims to produce a holistic mooring system framework that will monitor and predict mooring line degradation for VoltturnUS+, using machine learning behavior prediction coupled with a digital twin of the mooring system
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - The project aims to address the risk of mooring system failure and provide a low-cost monitoring solution to enable proactive maintenance and long-term asset health

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3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- The project will develop the machine learning framework integrating VoltturnUS+ sensor data, then model degradation of the mooring lines to assess overall mooring line health and operations and maintenance (O&M) needs. Focuses on mooring line loads and biofouling.
- Mainly requires access to VoltturnUS+ sensor data, as well additional support from the University of Maine (UMaine)

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Sensors are already integrated, but project will take advantage of UMaine weekly vessel trips to ensure data quality and equipment reliability

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Project will collect data and conduct analysis related to mooring line loads and biofouling
- Non-proprietary results will be made publicly available and in compliance with the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) and the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) guidelines which is a positive

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- Will evaluate performance based on accuracy, reliability, and scalability

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Will adhere to protocol developed with the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), UMaine and Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR)

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Recurring meetings, reports, and two updates to the Maine Offshore Wind Research Consortium Advisory Board

9. Gantt Chart

- Included for a 12-month project, extra month designated for final reporting

10. Reports and Publications

- Will publish findings and methodologies

11. Signed Legal Agreements

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- Ready to sign non-disclosure agreement (NDA) and other agreements – also likely accidental note on indemnification

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Detailed and included

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

- No cost share identified

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APPLICANT NAME: National Renewable Energy Laboratory

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Co-designed floating offshore wind farms with fisheries from the Gulf of Maine and the central Atlantic to better accommodate fishing within floating wind farms
 2. Project required significant floating wind design and modeling, including mooring dynamics modeling for conditions specific to the Gulf of Maine in MoorDyn.
 - Project 2
 1. Developed open-source, integrated floating wind array modeling and design toolsets
 2. Project included significant software development; a floating array modeling toolset was developed to integrate a variety of modeling tools, and a set of floating system design tools and methodologies were developed for component and array design.
 - Project 3
 1. Mooring dynamics modeling considering varied site conditions; goal to standardize mooring chain and anchor diameters to speed up delivery timelines with minimal added material cost.
 2. Used offshore wind (OSW) lease area site data to design and model floating wind mooring systems with site-specific bathymetry, soil, and metocean conditions.
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Statement provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Not provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - This project will produce a mooring system monitoring framework that will monitor, analyze, and predict mooring line degradation for

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the University of Maine's VoltturnUS+ demonstration turbine using machine learning (ML) behavior prediction models coupled with a digital twin of the mooring system. The framework will integrate both physics-based simulations and data-driven learning, evaluating degradation phenomena including marine growth and creep.

- Unlike existing monitoring approaches that focus solely on data collection, this project will develop the computational and methodological foundations for predictive mooring health monitoring, enabling future applications as more field data becomes available.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Two tasks:
 1. Mooring Line Load Prediction Framework using Machine Learning - develop and validate the architecture and methodology for a machine learning (ML) framework that can predict variations in key mooring line health metrics, such as mean and maximum tensions across a wide range of Gulf of Maine sea states.
 2. Modeling Degradation Phenomena with MoorDyn and High-Performance Computing (HPC) - extends the predictive framework from Task 1 with a digital twin focused on physical degradation phenomena, such as creep and biofouling, that are well-known to affect mooring line behavior.
- Three innovations: hybrid ANN/LSTM Framework, Hybrid Training Data, Uncertainty-Aware Prediction
- Additive value: modular, open-source ML framework for predictive mooring load monitoring

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Project does not involve deployment of technology or additional sensors to the VoltturnUS+ demonstrator

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Requires some coordination/support from the University of Maine (UMaine) – data retrieval/inspections, software compatibility/safety, 1 dive to validate biofouling prediction, 1 synthetic mooring line

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measurement at decommissioning to validate creep prediction model

- Budget includes set-asides for UMaine
- Bi-weekly memory card access will be used for redundancy

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Data types and analysis framework described
- Success metrics included. Detail such as target metrics not provided but would be helpful.
- All non-proprietary results will be made publicly available via existing portals and in compliance with the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) and the National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC) data sharing guidelines and standards.

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- Framework discussed at a high level, more detail would be helpful here

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Discussed at a high level

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Framework discussed

9. Gantt Chart

- Provided and detailed

10. Reports and Publications

- Plan to publish findings and methodologies where not bound by non-disclosure agreements (NDAs)

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Discussed – indicates that the applicant cannot sign indemnification agreement

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

- Provided

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RFA #: 202507101

RFA TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH INNOVATION: OFFSHORE WIND MONITORING AND TESTING

APPLICANT NAME: National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)

DATE: October 18, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification
 - Not Provided
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC)
 - Project 2
 1. Department of Energy Wind Energy Technologies Office
 - Project 3
 1. National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC)
 3. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Not provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Not clearly provided
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - This project will produce a holistic, broadly applicable mooring system monitoring framework that will monitor, analyze, and predict mooring line degradation for the University of Maine's (UMaine) VolturnUS+ demonstration turbine using machine learning (ML) behavior prediction models coupled with a digital twin of the mooring system.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - The project will involve two main tasks that are each broken into subtasks.
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- All sensors used in the proposed project are already integrated in the VoltturnUS+ demonstrator system
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Mooring line tension and inclination data.
 - Platform offsets in six degrees of freedom.
 - Wind, wave, and current data.
 - One-time biofouling measurement on mooring lines.
 - One-time creep measurement on decommissioned mooring lines.
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Accuracy – comparison of ML predictions to measured and simulated loads. Comparison of biofouling and creep prediction to measured values.
 - Reliability – frequency of correct identification of peak load events and snap loads.
 - Scalability – potential for generalization beyond the Castine demonstration site.
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) will adhere to the project-specific safety communications protocol developed in collaboration with the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), UMaine, and Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR).
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Provided in detail
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - In addition to the monthly, quarterly, annual, and final reports, bidder will publish findings and methodologies that are not bound by non-disclosure agreements (NDAs)
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Plan to sign legal agreements
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative
 - Provided
 - No cost sharing identified
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments

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- No cost sharing identified, thus no letter

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APPLICANT NAME: Alliance for Sustainable Energy LLC (Managing and operating contractor for the National Renewable Energy Laboratory or NREL)

DATE: 10/20/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience:
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: Missing statement of qualifications as requested in the Request for Applications (RFA). All three projects are relevant to offshore wind and generally aligned with the RFA with one project relevant to the mooring topic in the RFA.
 - Project 1: Co-design solutions for US Floating Offshore Wind farms and fishing compatibility
 1. Brief Description of Project: Funded by the National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC), the project is a partnership of NREL and the Responsible Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA). The project co-designed floating offshore wind farms with fisheries from the Gulf of Maine (GoM) and the central Atlantic to better accommodate fishing within floating wind farms.
 - Project 2: Open Source, Integrated floating wind array modeling and design toolsets.
 1. Brief Description of Project: Funded by the Department of Energy (DOE), this project involved cleaning, aggregating, and analyzing data sets in the GoM and other locations to develop and improve a modeling toolset for floating offshore wind
 - Project 3: Standardized Scalable Mooring Solutions Optimized for the United States Supply Chain
 1. Brief Description of Project: Funded by NOWRDC, this project explored approaches to standardizing mooring line and anchor components in floating offshore wind with the goal of reducing supply chain bottlenecks.
 2. Subcontractors
 - None listed
 3. Organizational Chart
 - General organizational chart included for the project
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Listed as N/A
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Incomplete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

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1. Objectives

- This project will produce a holistic, broadly applicable mooring system monitoring framework that will monitor, analyze, and predict mooring line degradation for the University of Maine's (UMaine) VolturnUS+ demonstration turbine using machine learning (ML) behavior prediction models coupled with a digital twin of the mooring system.
- Proposing to address mooring line loads and biofouling topic areas listed in the RFA

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Unlike other data collection projects, the proposed project will develop the computational and methodological foundations for predictive mooring health monitoring, enable future uses as more field data is available.
- This project advances floating offshore wind towards commercial readiness in Maine and beyond by developing a scalable mooring line health monitoring framework (developed through Tasks 1 and 2) and addressing critical knowledge gaps on mooring degradation in the GoM.
- Task 1: Develop machine learning (ML) architecture to predict mooring behavior over time, with implications for mooring line health and provide a foundation for future models (3 innovations listed related to machine learning and predictive maintenance with additive value as a scalable low-cost solution)
- Task 2: Predict levels of mooring line degradation from marine growth and creep with sensor data and a digital twin. Task improves Maine's readiness for commercial floating wind with advancements related to mooring degradation characterization and standard assumption evaluation. Additive value is physics-based approach to reduce costs and improve safety.

1. Risks identified and mitigations addressed

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Task 1: No actual mooring-related deployment but planning for access to the demonstration project's data to train the machine learning models

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- Task 2: Primarily remote modeling (digital twin) for the biofouling and creep predictions but including a diving trip by the University of Maine (UMaine) personnel to measure the field levels of biofouling on the mooring lines to validate the modeling predictions.
 - Overall, no deployment of technology nor additional sensors
 - Identify the support needed from UMaine.
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - UMaine's weekly maintenance but no new technology being deployed
 - Some budget for UMaine diver to validate marine growth and for UMaine to perform synthetic mooring line length measurement or decommissioning
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Includes list of data that will be collected (by UMaine)
 - Includes list of analyses that will be conducted
 - Notes all non-proprietary results will be made publicly available via existing portals and in compliance with regional and national standards and portals listed in the RFA.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Performance will be evaluated according to accuracy, reliability, and scalability with more details provided for each in the application
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Briefly addressed as listed in RFA
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - As listed in the RFA
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included for 12 months + 1 extra month for final deliverables.
 - Chart includes tasks and task leads by month.
 - Biographies of key contributors are provided below the chart. Team is well-qualified
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Acknowledge they will publish findings and methodologies not bound by non-disclosure agreements (NDAs). Are there any considerations regarding an NREL publication at this time?
 11. Signed Legal Agreements

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- Acknowledge intent to sign. Application includes a partial comment possibly left in error.

III. Budget - Included

1. Budget Narrative

- Matches application request. Indirect costs are relatively high. Letter from DOE confirming the federal government indirect rate for NREL

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments

- No cost sharing proposed

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BIDDER NAME: NREL

DATE: 10/24/2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
H2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
H3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
A1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
A2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
A3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP5	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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CSP13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
NIST Requirements	

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N1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:

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N8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation:

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RFP #: 202507101

RFP TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH OFFSHORE WIND

BIDDER NAME: National Renewable Energy Laboratory

DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments: In Completed Tech Assessment Form

NREL is a federally-funded research institution, and as such adheres to federal standards.

All additional required data control and security requirements not covered in existing NREL controls protocols will be negotiated upon award if the project is selected for selected for award

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation:
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:

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Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation:
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
	IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☒ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology	

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Medicaid Information	Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	No explanation given

Bill of Materials (BoM)

(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given

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H1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
H2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
H3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
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	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
S3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
S4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>

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Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
CSP8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
CSP9	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
CSP10	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
CSP12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
CSP13	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
CSP14	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No explanation given
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation:
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No explanation given
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N3	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N4	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N5	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N6	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N7	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N8	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: No explanation given
N9	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
N10	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
N11	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
N13	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☒ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: No explanation given</i>

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APPLICANT NAME: University of Maine (Brady et al.)

DATE: October 24, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Monhegan Deep-Water Kelp Farm used Bluerobotics and Cerulean acoustic platforms and Farallon SmartBuoys to monitor the deepest known kelp longline, validating remotely operated vehicle (ROV) and sonar methods for biomass estimation and expanding the team's offshore data management and operations skills
 - Project 2
 1. Fixed gear and VoltturnUS+ co-location deploys lobster trawls around a floating turbine with SmartBuoys, mooring load cells, and passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) to quantify gear drift and assess entanglement risk
 - Project 3
 1. Department of Energy (DOE) supported effort designed and executed a collaborative trapping survey near a reduced-footprint hybrid mooring concept
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included and detailed
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided for UMaine System
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Develop low-cost ROV and uncrewed surface vessel (USV) methods to assess benthic habitat change, seabed characterization, mooring trenching, and biofouling biomass at VoltturnUS+
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Project adapts proven European practices to United States conditions using BlueBoat multibeam, BlueROV 2 video and

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imaging sonar, and targeted validation to deliver cost effective monitoring

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Quarterly full day site visits, sensor integrations to University of Maine (UMaine) system as needed, and coordination with the VoltturnUS+ project management team to schedule ROV and USV transects around routine maintenance

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Equipment not permanently installed on turbine. Maintenance would occur shoreside, with vessel access scheduled for quarterly operations

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Collect bathymetry and backscatter, ROV video, grab samples, and dive scrapes – analyze per the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) and the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) guidelines and upload post-processed data and models to public repository after each quarterly visit and at project close

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- Evaluate BlueTech toolchain using metrics for Coastal and Marine Ecological Classification Standard (CMECS) classification accuracy

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Operate under approved Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) coordinated with Maine organizations
- Includes disentanglement plan for ROV tether, and plans to obtain Dive Control Board (DCB) approval for all dive work

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Recurring meetings and reviews

9. Gantt Chart

- Tasks 1-5 spread across 2026/2027

10. Reports and Publications

- Recurring and final reports plus public repository of non-proprietary outputs

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Will commit to non-disclosure agreement (NDA) with UMaine and other agreements

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – included and detailed

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IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Cost share documented

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DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Identify challenges in Maine's nascent offshore aquaculture industry while leveraging BlueTech monitoring to reduce labor at the site and develop novel monitoring methods in the offshore environment.
 2. Same platform proposed under this project
 - Project 2
 1. Integrated load cell monitoring of VoltturnUS+ semi-taut mooring lines and passive acoustic monitoring for marine mammals.
 2. Developed Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) applicable to this project
 - Project 3
 1. Commercial trap survey (semi-structured interviews and trap measurements) supporting Department of Energy (DOE) technology development project (Before-After Control-Impact)
 2. Subcontractors
 - Subcontractor 1
 1. No subcontractors
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Information provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Leverage previously funded acoustics products to develop low-cost monitoring methods and data products that can efficiently assess biofouling and ensnarement dynamics on floating offshore wind mooring systems
 - Use a Blue Robotics BlueBoat (i.e., an uncrewed surface vessel (USV)) equipped with a multibeam echosounder to map bathymetry

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and backscatter-derived data products around mooring lines and anchors.

- Characterize biofouling conditions on structure mooring lines by recording and analyzing high-definition video and acoustic imagery from the top of mooring lines down to the touchdown points using a BlueRobotics BlueROV2 and Cerulean imaging sonar

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Improve upon current methods for monitoring benthic impact and biofouling at floating offshore wind (FOSW) sites.
- Currently there are no specific requirements to monitor benthic impacts from the moorings or biofouling on mooring lines at VoltturnUS+. However, these issues are principal data collection concerns identified by the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative's (RWSC's) chapter 9.

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Monitoring equipment/materials would not be housed on VoltturnUS+ structure
- Good discussion of project risks

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Quarterly site visits to conduct remotely operated vehicle (ROV) transects
- Plans (SOPs) being developed under separate project, developed/ reviewed in coordination with relevant partners

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Data architecture diagram
- Coordinate with the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]) and University of Maine (UMaine) to develop data management and sharing plan

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- No new technology developed under program

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Not discussed
- To be determined (TBD) with UMaine Dive Safety Officer

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Various consultations described in other sections, leverage existing relationships with UMaine and Maine Maritime Academy (MMA)
- Deliverables listed in Gantt chart

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- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided including milestones/ deliverables
- 10. Reports and Publications
 - Referenced in Gantt chart
- 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Not discussed
- III. Budget
 - 1. Budget Narrative
 - Provided, sufficiently justified. Uncovered indirect costs proposed as in kind match
- IV. Cost Sharing
 - 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - No letter provided

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification
 - Not Provided
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1: Monhegan Deep-Water Kelp Farm
 - Project 2: Co-Locating a Fixed Fishing Gear with a Demonstration Scale Floating Offshore Wind Turbine: Quantifying gear loss and developing fixed gear fishing strategies around the VoltturnUS+ demonstration scale wind turbine
 - Project 3: Demonstrating a Reduced-Footprint Synthetic Rope Mooring System that Minimizes Fishing Impacts and Costs for a 10MW+ Floating Wind Turbine
 3. Subcontractors – NA
 - N/A
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided outstanding litigation
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - This project will leverage previously funded BlueRobotics and Cerulean acoustics products to develop low-cost monitoring methods and data products that can efficiently assess biofouling and ensnarement dynamics on floating offshore wind mooring systems.
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - To validate Coastal and Marine Ecological Classification Standard (CMECS) substrate group classifications from the site, the project will use grab samples and BlueRobotics remotely operated vehicle (ROV) video with a gradient sampling design moving away from the mooring anchors.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Not clearly described
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- None of the monitoring materials, i.e. BlueBoat or Blue ROV2, would require full-time housing on the VolturnUS+ structure. Instead, due to the nature of the work, the project would be required to schedule project-specific vessel time with Maine Maritime Academy (MMA).
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
- Data architecture provided
 - Bidder proposes to characterize biofouling conditions on structure mooring lines by recording and analyzing high definition video and acoustic imagery from the top of mooring lines down to the touchdown points using a BlueRobotics BlueROV2 and Cerulean imaging sonar
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
- The experimental design of this project integrates the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC), and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) guidelines for benthic and biofouling monitoring, while leveraging lessons learned from the Realtime Opportunity for Development Environmental Observations (RODEO) monitoring program at Block Island Wind Farm (BIWF) from which grab sample and dive scrape sample methods are replicated. In accordance with ROSA monitoring guidelines, the project will conduct 100 meter transect surveys and grab sampling of each mooring site to detect potential gradients in impact.
7. Safety Communications Strategy
- The dive plan will be developed in consultation with the University of Maine Dive Safety Officer to successfully complete the Dive Control Board (DCB) review
 - UMaine Advanced Structures and Composites Center (ASCC) project engineers, a commercial fishing partner, and the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR). Two separate sets of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) are being developed to cover 1) vessel operations and 2) commercial fishing activities. Much of the BlueTech monitoring project will fall under the vessel operation SOP which would be modified to include ROV operation with revisions from ASCC project engineers. Including ASCC, the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), and Maine DMR in reviews will ensure the project uses reasonable safeguards to prevent entanglement between the BlueROV2 tether cable and mooring lines.

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DATE: October 18, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information
Technology (OIT)

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Provided in detail
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year with detail
 10. Reports and Publications
 - To ensure high quality data collection, analysis and sharing the project will coordinate with Maine GEO and the University of Maine to develop a Data Management and Sharing Plan
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Plan to sign legal agreements
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative
 - Included and matches table
- IV. Letters documenting match commitments
- No cost sharing letter for in-kind match

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DATE: 10/23/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience:
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: Missing the statement of qualifications as required in the RFA. Application includes 3 projects relevant to the benthic habitat and biofouling topic areas listed in the RFA.
 - Project 1: Monhegan Deep Water Kelp Farm Project
 1. Brief Description of Project: Monitoring of a demonstration kelp farm off Monhegan island using bluetech SmartBuoys to track farm movement virtually in coordination with a commercial fishing partner and high resolution acoustic imagery on site.
 - Project 2: Co-locating fixed fishing gear with a demonstration scale floating offshore wind turbine: quantifying gear loss and developing fixed gear fishing strategies around the VoltturnUS+ demonstration scale wind turbine.
 1. Brief Description of Project: The ongoing project funded by the Responsible Offshore Science Alliance aims to be the first demonstration of fixed fishing gear (lobster traps) with a floating offshore wind farm in the western hemisphere. The project deploys SmartBuoys and utilizes load cell monitoring of the VoltturnUS+ semitaunt mooring lines and passive acoustic monitoring for marine mammals.
 - Project 3: Demonstrating a Reduced Footprint Synthetic Rope Mooring system that Minimizes Fishing Impacts and Costs for a 10 MW+ Floating Wind Turbine.
 1. Brief Description of Project: The project included development of a reduced footprint, hybrid catenary chain and synthetic mooring system by the University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center in coordination with local fishermen from Monhegan Island. The project also included baseline fishery monitoring preceding a planned offshore wind project.
 2. Subcontractors – None listed
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included for University
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Included for University
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)

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- Complete

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

1. Objectives

- The project will leverage previously funded robotics and acoustics products to develop low cost monitoring methods and data products to assess biofouling and ensnarement dynamics on floating offshore wind mooring systems.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- The applicant aims to develop methods for benthic habitat monitoring and biofouling community monitoring through novel application of existing technologies (USV, multi-beam, grab samples, ROV and imaging sonar)
- The applicant states they will use RWSC guidelines for benthic habitat data, consistent with the RFA
- Use of the Coastal and Marine Ecological Classification Standard for benthic habitat assessment is a positive, along with grab samples and ROV video for validation to advance low cost benthic habitat classification and monitoring at high resolutions.
- Applicant proposes using an ROV and imaging sonar to characterize biofouling conditions on mooring lines. A machine learning model will be constructed to aid image classification to the lowest taxonomic level. Validation with physical sampling by divers.
- Applicant provides strong understanding and alignment with Maine Offshore Wind Roadmap and Research Consortium priorities and previous work with VoltturnUS+

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Some of these plans are noted in the above section on project rationale
- Experimental design leverages information from existing regional and national guidelines as results from the BOEM-funded Realtime Opportunity for Development Environmental Observations monitoring program at Block Island Wind Farm.
- Application acknowledges project risks such as the short duration of the demonstration deployment, the coastal hydrodynamics in the region, and the need to achieve sufficient biofouling images to train the model.

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

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- Includes project-specific vessel time with Maine Maritime Academy and coordination with UMaine demonstration personnel.
 - Will enhance ROSA-funded standard operating procedures in coordination with other demonstration partners
 - Dive plans will be reviewed by the University's Dive Control Board and Safety Officer.
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Included in Project Coordination and Operating Procedures section. Plan to coordinate with State and University and follow RWSC guidelines.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - N/A
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Addressed safety issues in Project Coordination and Operating Procedures section
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Addressed in Task list/Gantt chart to some extent
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included by task. Task leads are not identified
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Included in Task list.
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Not included. Part of the same University as the demonstration.
- III. Budget – Table provides good detail.
1. Budget Narrative – no budget narrative included as required in the RFA
- IV. Cost Sharing
1. Letters documenting match commitments – no letter provided

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DATE: 10/24/2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: States they do not comply.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: States they do not comply.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	<i>Explanation: Response was N/A</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. A self-hosted data center would still need to comply.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. States does not apply, but then indicates they will create a plan.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. States there is no applicable software solution.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Must verify format.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Cited reference indicates gaps in compliance.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States non-compliance because it does not apply.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Provided link does not contain a cyber risk appetite.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.

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CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.

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CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>States it is not applicable.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>

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N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provides reasons for non-compliance.</i>

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RFP TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH OFFSHORE WIND

BIDDER NAME: UMaine (Brady)

DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Did not provide NIST documentation.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: They agree to comply Maine Breach Law
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Do not compile NIST standard documentation
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Did not provide an explanation
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Did not provide an explanation
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:

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		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak		
Explanation:		
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor will comply

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	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: Vendor will comply
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation:
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	

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Medicaid Information	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Yes Adequate They agreed to meet the requirement when stipulated the in the agreement Vendor will comply

Bill of Materials (BoM)

(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: N/A
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: N/A

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H1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Not hosted in a data center Vendor does not comply
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor Does not comply</i>
A1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply <i>No documentation to support DR and data retention standards</i>
A2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Vendor does not comply or applicable because the proposed solution is based on a field-deployed instruments with not standard enterprise applications
A3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply.
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Provide URL with there standards provided. Does not NIST standards
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Subcontractors will comply
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply No access to agencies or State systems
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply Link but it is not a Cyber Risk Appetite Statement
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Architectural Diagram documentation Policy Policy documents not included
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Policy Not Applicable
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP7	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP8	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP9	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP10	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP11	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP12	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP13	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
NIST Requirements	

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N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> NO
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:.</i> Vendor does not comply
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:.</i> Vendor does not comply
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:.</i> Vendor does not comply
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply

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N8	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:.</i> Vendor does not comply
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply.
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i> Vendor does not comply

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APPLICANT NAME: University of Maine (Estapa)

DATE: October 24, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction – The University of Maine (UMaine) team is well qualified to test innovative monitoring of water column and seafloor biological conditions. Experience stems from federally funded oceanographic research, capabilities in biological and chemical ocean observation, sensor development, and safe at sea operations
 - Project 1
 1. Conducted underwater sediment trap and sensor deployments over two-month long field campaigns
 - Project 2
 1. Led collaborative enhancements to a marine snow sensor, including firmware and software upgrades and field deployment in coastal campaigns
 - Project 3
 1. Led UMaine field sampling trips
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - All personnel are members of UMaine’s School of Marine Sciences
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided for UMaine system
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Deploy and adapt three submersible sensors beneath VolturnUS+ turbine to monitor sinking biological debris and assess changes in biological material delivery to the seafloor over a one-year period
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Floating offshore wind (FOW) generates biofouling debris that may alter seafloor ecosystems. This project measures that detritus.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Sensors will be mounted on a small, weighted frame suspended above the seabed – system deployed from the turbine using reinforced lines and swivel hardware.

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4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Twelve one-week deployments occur over a year – instruments deployed and recovered by small boat
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Each sensor's data will be processed into open, machine-readable formats and converted to carbon flux estimates
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Existing technology will be modified to log multiple sensors and perform in high flow conditions
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Team will follow UMaine and VoltturnUS+ safety protocols
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Kickoff meeting with the Governor's Energy Office (GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), periodic reports, finalized deployment/safety protocols, and public data release
 9. Gantt Chart
 - 1 year schedule beginning November 2025
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Discussed
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Discussed
- III. Budget
1. Budget Narrative – detailed request
- IV. Cost Sharing
1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - No letter included for in-kind cost share

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APPLICANT NAME: University of Maine (Estapa)

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. NASA's "EXport PrOcesses in RemoTe Sensing" (EXPORTS) project - series of underwater sediment trap and sensor deployments to measure sinking biological fluxes, during two month-long at-sea field campaigns.
 - Project 2
 1. National Science Foundation (NSF) - collaborative project (with the University of Rhode Island [URI] and Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute [MBARI]) to further develop and add capabilities to the SnoCam+ marine snow sensor originally developed at URI
 - Project 3
 1. University of Maine (UMaine) School of Marine Sciences - led over 20 water chemistry and biology sampling trips in Maine's coastal ocean as part of her undergraduate and graduate teaching
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Information provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Use three submersible sensors to measure sinking particle flux or "marine snow," which forms naturally from an array of biological sources
 - Goals are 1) to adapt the sensor package for use in this specific application (monitoring biological conditions around floating turbine infrastructure); and 2) to assess the types and amounts of sinking biological detritus generated beneath the turbine
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

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DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- Bidder proposes to carry out repeated 1-week deployments of these three sensors in the water directly beneath the VolturnUS+ turbine platform over the course of one year.
 - Monitoring techniques will be developed, and the year-long time span of the observations will establish the relative magnitude of seasonal variations in biological detritus delivery to the seafloor.
3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Instruments to be deployed in a custom-built instrument frame made of fiberglass-reinforced plastic, weighted at the bottom and if necessary, floatation added to the top – potential risk
 - No prior consultation with VolturnUS+ operations team
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - One-week deployments to capture temporal changes in marine snow flux due to seasonal changes in biological productivity as well as changes in the composition and quantity of biofouling organisms over the term of the turbine's deployment
 - Once protocols are in place and personnel are trained, the deployments and recoveries of the sensor package should normally take 15-30 minutes
 - Instruments need to be recovered weekly – labor intensive
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Detailed description of data types, outputs, and collection methods
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Provided
 - Project uses a combination of existing technology and new development tasks
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Discussed framework
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Discussed
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided, sufficiently detailed
 10. Reports and Publications
 - Discussed
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Discussed

III. Budget

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DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

1. Budget Narrative
 - Provided, sufficiently detailed/justified
- IV. Cost Sharing
 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - No letter included for in-kind cost share

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APPLICANT NAME: University of Maine (Estepa)

DATE: October 18, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification – The proposing team is well-qualified to test innovative monitoring of water column and seafloor biological conditions beneath the turbine, with strong experience making biological and chemical observations in the ocean, working at sea under harsh conditions, and also in the development and application of innovative oceanographic
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
 - Project 2: National Science Foundation (NSF)
 - Project 3: National Science Foundation (NSF)
 3. Subcontractors
 - No subcontractors will be engaged through this project
 4. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Monitoring changes in biological debris delivery to the seafloor beneath a floating wind turbine
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 1. Floating wind turbine infrastructure components immersed in seawater provide a large surface area for attachment and growth of biofouling marine organisms
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - A description of the planned deployment system is provided, and is followed below by several options for reconfiguration that would meet project goals and remain within the scope of bidder's proposed budget, should they be preferred by the VoltturnUS+ operations team
 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Current power and logging capabilities and the need to maintain imaging surfaces free of biofouling require that our sensors be

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- recovered from the ocean, cleaned, and their data downloaded after approximately 1 week of deployment
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - SnoCam+
 - LISST-OST
 - C-Rover beam transmissometer
 - All raw data types will be backed up on a non-networked hard drive. Data from all three sensors will be converted to estimates of organic carbon flux (SnoCam+, LISST-OST) and organic carbon concentration (C-Rover) using models published in the scientific literature.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - 1. The proposed project will utilize existing technology (SnoCam+ and LISST-OST) already developed in part at the University of Maine (UMaine) through previous and ongoing NSF-funded research projects, and employ these technologies in a new application area: monitoring biological impacts of offshore wind infrastructure.
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Bidder's team is experienced with safe operations in offshore oceanographic research settings and will follow analogous protocols in carrying out the proposed work. These will include following all safety instructions from the VolturnUS+ operations team, providing written documentation about deployment protocols, hazards, and safety considerations associated with our field equipment, convening short meetings of involved personnel prior to any deployment or recovery operation to ensure the group is aware of roles and safety concerns, and debriefing as necessary after each operation to review (and if necessary, revise) their safety protocols.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - The project team will participate in a kickoff meeting with the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now the Department of Energy Resources [DOER]) at the initiation of the project to introduce participants, objectives, and the overall project strategy.
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year
 10. Reports and Publications
 - The project team will provide monthly reports on the 5th of each month or as required by the program, describing ongoing activities,

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and these will be summarized and accompanied by budget updates during quarterly, annual, and final reports as required by the program.

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Plan to sign legal agreements

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided matching budget table

2. Letters documenting match commitments

- No cost sharing letter for in kind match offered

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Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction: Includes a statement of qualifications for the applicants noting they are well-qualified to test innovative monitoring of water column and seafloor biological conditions beneath the turbine consistent with the RFA. Applicants have strong experience with biological and chemical observations in the ocean, working at sea, and developing and applying innovative oceanographic sensors. None of the project examples are specific to offshore wind but have some relevance to the topic areas in the RFA.
 - Project 1: NASA's EXport PrOcesses in RemoTe Sensing (EXPORTS) oceanographic research program.
 1. Brief Description of Project: Series of underwater sediment trap and sensor deployments to measure sinking biological fluxes and contributing to data quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) and archiving. Relevant to RFA's focus offshore with relevant measurements and data dissemination experience.
 - Project 2: SnoCam+ marine snow sensor development
 1. Brief Description of Project: The lead applicant led a collaborative project with the University of Rhode Island (URI) and Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute (MBARI) to enhance the SnoCam+ marine snow sensor from URI. Testing and documented capabilities and constructed custom field equipment to deploy the sensor in the ocean. Relevant to RFA's focus on innovation and field work on key topic listed in the RFA.
 - Project 3: University of Maine (UMaine) School of Marine Sciences roles
 1. Brief Description of Project: Lead applicant teaches courses in oceanographic field techniques and use of the University's coastal research vessel. Relevant to the expertise regarding working offshore listed in the RFA.
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Simple organizational chart provided for the project
 4. Litigation (if applicable)

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- Included standard litigation list from the UMaine
- 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment – Title: Monitoring changes in biological debris delivery to the seafloor beneath a floating wind turbine
 - 1. Objectives
 - This project will deploy underwater sensor technology in a new application to monitor water column and seafloor biological conditions beneath and around the turbine, specifically by measuring the sinking flux of detritus through the water column. Consistent with RFA topic area.
 - Goals are to: 1) adapt the sensor package for use in this specific application (RFA topic area – monitoring biological conditions and the floating turbine infrastructure) and 2) assess the types and amounts of sinking biological detritus generated beneath the turbine.
 - 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Use of three submersible sensors to measure sinking particle flux or marine snow (biological sources)
 - Propose to adapt the sensors for use in the offshore wind monitoring application.
 - Included clear table of proposed sensors and the information each provides
 - Included figure of the different sensors and deployment frame proposed.
 - Describes the value proposition of the proposed work – observations will establish the relative magnitude of seasonal variations in biological detritus delivery to the seafloor.
 - Application acknowledges safety risks and equipment loss potential and mitigation strategies
 - Sensors are low power, no noise, no expected impacts
 - 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Will conduct repeated (12) 1-week deployments of the three sensors in the water directly beneath the platform and a few meters above the seafloor (facing upwards) for one year.
 - Frame attaching to a line from substructure

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- Chain to seafloor (not anchored) to maintain vertical position at high tide.
 - System lightweight enough for hand deployment (potential risks)
 - Note they will consult with UMaine demo team regarding deployment options (also offer a floating buoy deployment option vs. attachment to turbine)
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Weekly maintenance required – small boat, quick recovery, transport to Darling Marine Center and back
 - Cleaning will take place at UMaine Darling Marine Center
 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Data approach diagram included on last page of application
 - Data collection and analysis protocols provided by sensor and for project as a whole
 - Applicant notes they will add the project to the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) research database, use of a public repository such as Zenodo to be linked to the RWSC database entry. Use of RWSC essential metadata guidelines.
 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Using existing technology in a new application with two minor development tasks 1) enabling SnoCam+ to power and log 2 external sensors at once; and 2) adding a collection tube for fast flowing current operations. Objective and metrics included.
 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Acknowledges safe offshore experience and UMaine safety training. Will follow all safety instructions from UMaine team.
 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Includes a listing including additional deliverables on final deployment protocols and safety protocols for sensor use below the turbine.
 9. Gantt Chart
 - Included tasks, responsible staff, with staff biographies
 10. Reports and Publications
 - As listed in #8.
 11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Applicant states they are also part of the UMaine system. Will work internally to determine if internal legal agreements are necessary.

III. Budget

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1. Good budget table with clear in-kind contribution. Much of the funding is for personnel, graduate students – contributing to offshore wind workforce developmen in Maine.
2. Budget Narrative – good budget narrative matching the budget table.

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments – no match letter provided for in-kind match offered

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: States they do not comply.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: States they do not comply.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	<i>Explanation: Response was N/A</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. A self-hosted data center would still need to comply.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. States does not apply, but then indicates they will create a plan.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. States there is no applicable software solution.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Stated their solution rendered this requirement irrelevant.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Cited reference indicates gaps in compliance.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States non-compliance because it does not apply.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Provided link does not contain a cyber risk appetite.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.

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CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.

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CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: States it is not applicable.</i>

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>States it is not applicable.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>

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N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provides reasons for non-compliance.</i>

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RFP TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH OFFSHORE WIND

BIDDER NAME: UMaine (Estapa)

DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Vendor does not comply
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No Evidence provided
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation Vendor does not comply
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: We comply with applicable state and federal regulations when stipulated in executed agreements (such as 10 MRS 1347).
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given

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Personal Health Information	HIPAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HIPAA BAA	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	HITECH	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
		Explanation:
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor will comply
	IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Contractor Language Addendum required	<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor will comply
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		<i>Explanation:</i>
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
	Medicaid Information Technology	

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Medicaid Information	Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Yes Vendor will comply Adequate
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: N/A	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: No explanation provided.	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: No	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor Does not comply	
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: No	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply	
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	

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	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> None of the proposed technical solution is hosted in a data center. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument, which renders the hosting requirement irrelevant and physically impossible for the data collection phase. The data handling only moves to a general IT environment periodically (offloading to a University device), which is already subject to standard IT security policies.
A1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> None of the proposed technical solution is in scope of hosting. This is not applicable to the proposed solution. The Bidder will document a data management plan that incorporates backup and data retention standards.
A2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor doesnot comply
A3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply Remote/Cloud Hosting Policy is not applicable to the proposed technical solution.
A4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply
Information Security Standards	
S1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak

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	<i>Explanation:</i>
S2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor goes not comply
S3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does no comply
S4	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Yes
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> vendor does not met requirement
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Architectural Diagram documentation Policy Policy documents not included
CSP2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply solution is tempera deployed on a standalone non-networked scientif device
CSP3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> Vendor does not comply

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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>

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CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Vendor does not comply
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
N13	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>
N14	<i>Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Vendor does not comply</i>

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APPLICANT NAME: University of Maine (Verma)

DATE: October 24, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Kori Groenveld

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: National Offshore Wind Research & Development Consortium (NOWRDC)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. State funded initiative that developed seven offshore wind (OSW) courses and additional programs – training over 750 participants and expanding Maine’s OSW workforce
 - Project 2
 1. National Science Foundation (NSF) funded research integrating artificial intelligence (AI) digital twins with physical modeling to predict turbine installation dynamics, combining engineering innovation with graduate mentoring and K-12 outreach with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and Equinor
 - Project 3
 1. Another NSF supported project preparing students through cross sector internships and blue economy experiential learning
 2. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Shows Principal Investigator (PI), co-PI, student researchers, and administrative support
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided.
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Quantify turbulence, stratification, and mixing around the VolturnUS+ floating turbine using innovative, low cost, and multimodal BlueTech systems
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - Addresses critical data gaps in understanding hydrodynamic-ecological interactions at floating wind sites, delivers scalable cost-effective monitoring methods aligned with the state’s OSW environmental and innovation priorities

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3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment
 - Integrates vessel-based campaigns using weekly access and two additional Maine Maritime Academy (MMA) vessel days for synchronized field measurements and equipment testing
4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - Instruments portable and vessel-deployed, minimizing site impact – maintenance handled through routine University of Maine (UMaine) vessel trips with supplementary charter days as needed
5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - Generate interoperable data sets stored in standard formats with metadata and shared via a variety of repositories, including the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative (RWSC) and the Regional Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA)
6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - Success measured by operational reliability, measurement accuracy, and reproducibility of turbulence stats
7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - Bidder will develop with the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now the Department of Marine Resources [DOER]), UMaine Marine Operations, Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), and MMA
8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - Regular consultations scheduled
9. Gantt Chart
 - Timeline covers 2026-2027
10. Reports and Publications
 - Recurring reports, results disseminated through open datasets and peer-reviewed publications
11. Signed Legal Agreements
 - Provided
- III. Budget
 1. Budget Narrative
 - Detailed and included
- IV. Cost Sharing
 1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Cash cost share through unrecovered indirect costs and tuition

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APPLICANT NAME: University of Maine (Verma)

DATE: 10/14/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Tagwongo Obomsawin

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1
 1. Offshore wind (OSW) workforce development – graduate and undergraduate courses developed (OSW farm engineering, OSW stakeholder challenges, Marine Operations for OSW, certificate program).
 2. Exceeded participant goal by more than 200%.
 - Project 2
 1. OSW research - orbital motion dynamics in turbine nacelle through wave tank experiments and numerical modeling, utilizes digital twin framework based on generative artificial intelligence (AI) to predict the orbital motion dynamics in real-time.
 2. Includes workforce development; K-12 research internships, development of open-source textbook, graduate student mentorship opportunities
 3. Project to be conducted
 - Project 3
 1. OSW workforce development - engage undergraduate and graduate students through experiential learning opportunities with digital twin systems/technology; includes internships and career support.
 2. Project to be conducted
 2. Subcontractors
 - No subcontractors
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Provided
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Information provided
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - The project will develop and demonstrate a new multi-modal BlueTech monitoring framework that integrates hydrodynamic and

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

optical-based measurements to resolve near-field turbulence and stratification around the VoltturnUS+ floating turbine

- Deliver the first high-resolution field dataset characterizing turbulence and stratification around a floating wind turbine in the Gulf of Maine.
- Inform environmental monitoring protocols, support ecological impact assessment, and provide a science-based foundation for sustainable scaling of Maine's offshore wind initiatives.
- Establish a transferable monitoring framework for future deployments through new methods in field-based ocean turbulence measurement and environmental sensing.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Turbine hulls immersed in strong tidal shear can disturb vertical density gradients which may influence nutrient fluxes, primary productivity, and trophic distributions; quantifying these processes necessary to identify potential impact to aquatic creatures around turbine arrays
- Includes three technologies/work streams:
 1. Development of in-field Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) system to capture spatially resolved velocity fields. Requires lab verification prior to deployment.
 2. Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP) and a Conductivity-Temperature-Depth (CTD) baseline profiling to establish baseline velocity, stratification, and turbulence characteristics upstream and downstream of turbine
 3. Thermal infrared drone imaging to capture surface temperature mosaics in turbine wake; data to reveal near-surface wake extent, stratification disruption, and lateral spreading of mixed zones
- Good identification of potential risks and mitigation strategies

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- The project will primarily utilize the University of Maine's (UMaine) routine weekly vessel trips to the VoltturnUS+ site, while the applicant will provide additional vessel time and specialized resources beyond normal operations, including a budgeted two-day

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charter of the Addie Ray vessel from Maine Maritime Academy (MMA) for synchronized field campaigns.

- PIV will be deployed temporarily at targeted locations/depths

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Routine field access to the VoltturnUS+ site will be achieved primarily through UMaine's weekly vessel trips, will include baseline CTD/ADCP measurements, quick sensor checks, and data offloading.
- Drone imaging missions will be scheduled in coordination with routine maintenance trips to optimize site access and minimize redundancy in field effort.
- All field operations will rely on short-duration, vessel-based deployments, ensuring that no monitoring hardware is left unattended at the site. This minimizes the need for planned maintenance.

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Three data streams: experimental field data, derived and processed data products, and publications/ documentation.
- Plan is described in sufficient detail

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- Vessel-deployed PIV system is new technology. This section proposes multiple success metrics that are relevant and appropriate for technology testing.
- Results will inform refinements to equipment housing, optics, illumination design; help establish standardized protocols for future deployments

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- Described in detail

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Framework discussed

9. Gantt Chart

- Provided

10. Reports and Publications

- Framework discussed

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Discussed

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

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- Provided, sufficiently detailed
- Some equipment may be subject to tariffs

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments
 - Provided

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APPLICANT NAME: University of Maine (Verma)

DATE: October 18, 2025

EVALUATOR NAME: Dale Thomas

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Maine Office of Information Technology (OIT)

Individual Evaluator Comments:

- I. Organization Qualifications and Experience
 1. Statement of Qualification – Not Provided
 2. Organization Overview/ Introduction
 - Project 1: 750+ participants where the project was funded by the Governor Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), State of Maine
 - Project 2: EARly-concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER): CET: Investigating Orbital Motion Dynamics in Offshore Wind Turbines During Installation: A Novel Digital Twin Approach Based on Generative Artificial Intelligence
 - Project 3: Experiential Learning in Digital Twin Technologies for the Blue Economy
 3. Subcontractors
 - N/A
 4. Organizational Chart with detailed narrative
 - Provided
 5. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Provided active cases for the University of Maine (UMaine) system
 6. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Provided
- II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment
 1. Objectives
 - Not clearly provided
 2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity
 - A thorough description of the innovative BlueTech monitoring approach, clearly articulating how the proposed project advances Maine's offshore wind priorities and details the additive value proposition of the project to existing efforts.
 - The description should also identify risks of the proposed activity and describe the risk mitigation measures.
 3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

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- The proposed deployment plan combines multiple sensing methods, including Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP) and Conductivity-Temperature-Depth (CTD) profiling, thermal-infrared drone imaging, and a newly developed in-field Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) system, to measure turbulence, stratification, and wake-induced mixing around the VoltturnUS+ floating offshore wind turbine.
- 4. Plan and Access for Maintenance
 - provided
- 5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan
 - A thorough plan with metrics for success to ensure high-quality non-proprietary data is made publicly available using existing portals and standards and is communicated clearly to a broad spectrum of stakeholders to optimize project results.
- 6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)
 - This project will develop and demonstrate a new multi-modal BlueTech monitoring framework that integrates hydrodynamic and optical-based measurements to resolve near-field turbulence and stratification around the VoltturnUS+ floating turbine. The approach emphasizes low-cost, field-deployable technologies that complement existing monitoring methods while reducing operational complexity and long-term costs Development of an In-Field PIV System (New BlueTech), ADCP/CTD Baseline Profiling, and Thermal-Infrared Drone Imaging.
- 7. Safety Communications Strategy
 - A safety communication strategy will be developed and finalized once the proposal is awarded. All field activities will follow a coordinated safety and communication framework developed collaboratively with the University of Maine (UMaine) Marine Operations team, Maine Maritime Academy (MMA), the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now Department of Energy Resources [DOER]), and the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR).
- 8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations
 - The project will maintain an active consultation and communication schedule with GEO/ DOER, UMaine, and other entities identified by GEO/ DOER to ensure alignment with the state's offshore wind research and monitoring priorities.
- 9. Gantt Chart
 - Provided 1 year

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10. Reports and Publications

- Monthly Reports: Brief monthly summaries will be submitted by the 5th of each month
- Quarterly Reports: Comprehensive quarterly reports-including a performance narrative, data highlights, and budget updates-will be submitted within 30 days of the quarter's end.
- Annual Report: An annual report, including a consolidated performance summary, data synthesis, and State of Maine – GEO/DOER
- Final Report: A final technical and financial report will be submitted within 30 days of completing the project scope and at least 30 days before the end of the grant period.

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Agrees to sign all legal agreements required under this Request for Applications (RFA), including the Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA), Site Testing and Access Agreement, and Indemnification Agreement-will be executed in coordination with the University of Maine's Office of Research Administration and Marine Operations. Since the proposed work is led and managed by UMaine, and all activities occur under existing institutional oversight and insurance coverage, these agreements are expected to be straightforward and non-restrictive.

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative

- Provided

2. Cost Sharing

- Letters documenting match commitments - Cost Share documented and Letter provided

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DATE: 10/24/25

EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

Individual Evaluator Comments:

I. Organization Qualifications and Experience

Organization Overview/ Introduction: Statement of qualifications not included as required in the Request for Applications (RFA). The 3 listed projects have relevance to offshore wind

- Project 1: OffshoreWind4Maine – offshore wind workforce development program for Maine
 1. Brief Description of Project: advance Maine offshore wind (OSW) workforce development through developing a series of micro-credential courses on offshore wind, developing undergraduate and graduate courses, and establishing a unique undergraduate program on offshore wind energy.
 - Project 2: EARly-concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER): CET: Investigating Orbital Motion Dynamics in Offshore Wind Turbines during Installation: A Novel Digital Twin Approach Based on Generative Artificial Intelligence
 1. Brief Description of Project: Funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) using digital twins to inform installing blades on fixed offshore wind turbines. Project includes knowledge integration in existing offshore wind education and workforce training. Partnership with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and Equinor
 - Project 3: Experiential Learning in Digital Twin Technologies for the Blue Economy
 1. Brief Description of Project: Digital Twin training for monitoring, predictive maintenance and decision making in Maine for undergraduate and graduate students (workshops, internships, career support)
2. Subcontractors
 - None listed
 3. Organizational Chart
 - Included with task responsibilities. Some team members are on the turbine demonstration team.
 4. Litigation (if applicable)
 - Standard UMaine system list
 5. Certificate of Insurance (complete or not complete)
 - Complete

II. Proposed Project and Technical Assessment

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EVALUATOR NAME: Stephanie Watson

EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

1. Objectives

- To address a knowledge gap in understanding how floating offshore wind platforms interact with dynamic coastal environment of the Western Maine Coastal Current, with relevance to the state's floating offshore wind research array and Maine's responsible offshore wind approach.

2. Rationale and Description of Proposed Activity

- Project will develop and demonstrate a new multi-modal, low cost BlueTech monitoring framework that integrates hydrodynamic and optical based measurements to resolve near-field turbulence and stratification around the VolturnUS+ floating turbine.
- Will include an in-field Particle Imaging Velocimetry system, Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP) and Conductivity-Temperature-Depth (CTD) profiling, and thermal infrared drone imaging
- Includes good table of risks and mitigation measures
- Anticipated outcomes is the first high-resolution field dataset characterizing turbulence and stratification around a floating turbine in the Gulf of Maine to inform future monitoring approaches. This aligns with the water column and seafloor conditions around the turbine topic area in the Request for Applications (RFA).

3. Plan and Requirements for Deployment

- Plan combines multiple sensing methods (ADCP, thermal drone imaging, and Particle Imaging Velocimetry [PIV]). Lab verification and testing. All field activities will be coordinated with the University of Maine Marine operations team.
- Plan includes additional vessel time and budgets for this. Plan also includes consumables for cleaning and calibration and a portable generator in budget.
- Plan includes data analysis work
- Plan includes education, outreach and workforce development for undergraduate and graduate students in instrument design, deployment planning, field data collection, and analysis.
- Plan includes outreach through existing collaborations with area high schools

4. Plan and Access for Maintenance

- Routine field access

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EVALUATOR DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION: Department of Energy Resources

- All field operations will be short duration vessel-based deployments with no monitoring hardware left unattended at site.

5. Data Collection, Analysis, and Sharing Plan

- Included as a data architecture overview with public data summaries on the UMaine Wind Energy and Marine Operations (WEMO) website, open access repositories (which should be coordinated with the state), and peer reviewed journal publications and conference presentations

6. Technology Evaluation Plan (if testing new technology)

- For the vessel deployed PIV system for in situ turbulence measurement around floating turbines. Metrics of success included.

7. Safety Communications Strategy

- To be developed if proposal is awarded
- Mention collaboration with other UMaine personnel, Maine Maritime Academy (MMA), and the state.
- Safety debriefs

8. Consultations, Deliverable Reviews, Presentations

- Includes consultations and communications with state, UMaine personnel, and others identified by the Governor's Energy Office (formerly GEO, now the Department of Energy Resources [DOER])
- Deliverables as listed in RFA

9. Gantt Chart

- Included by task. Task leads identified in Organization section.

10. Reports and Publications

- As listed in RFA

11. Signed Legal Agreements

- Will internally coordinate on any necessary agreements

III. Budget

1. Budget Narrative – included and matches budget table. About a third of the budget will go to graduate and undergraduate students. Note that some of the Principal Investigators (PIs) are not requesting budget. No budget is requested for the University of Maine's (UMaine) personnel leading the demonstration.

IV. Cost Sharing

1. Letters documenting match commitments – Cost share letter provided

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TA REVIEWER NAME: Matthew Backus

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: States they do not comply.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: States they do not comply.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response

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	Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		<i>Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.</i>
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	<i>Explanation: Response was N/A</i>	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	<i>Explanation:</i>	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	

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	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
H2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
H3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. A self-hosted data center would still need to comply.</i>
A1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. States does not apply, but then indicates they will create a plan.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply. States there is no applicable software solution.</i>
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: States they do not comply.</i>
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Must verify format.</i>
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: Cited reference indicates gaps in compliance.</i>
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i>

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Lacks sufficient detail.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States non-compliance because it does not apply.
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Provided link does not contain a cyber risk appetite.
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.

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CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.

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CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: States it is not applicable.

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>States it is not applicable.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N5	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	Explanation: <i>Response states non-compliance.</i>

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N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.
N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation:
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Response states non-compliance.

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N14	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i>
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation: Provides reasons for non-compliance.</i>

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RFP #: 202507101

RFP TITLE: MAINE BLUE TECH OFFSHORE WIND

BIDDER NAME: UMaine (Verma)

DATE: October 27, 2025

TA REVIEWER NAME: Dale Thomas

TA REVIEWER DEPARTMENT: MaineIT

Individual Reviewer Comments:

Data Compliance		
Publicly available information	NIST 800-171	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: The highest compliance standard applied by the University of Maine System is NIST SP 800-171 Revision 2. We do not apply this standard to publicly available information.
	Maine FOAA	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No explanation given.
Confidential Personally Identifiable Information (PII)	Maine Breach Notification Law	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: No Evidence provided
	NIST 800-53: Rev5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and NO
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
		Explanation: We do not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard. The highest non-federal standard we apply is NIST SP 800-171 Revision 2. These security controls are tailored based on internal categorization of the data and requirements stipulated through contractual agreements.
	Privacy Act of 1974	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		Explanation: Yes and No
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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		<i>Explanation: We comply with applicable state and federal regulations when stipulated in executed agreements (such as 10 MRS 1347).</i>
	U.S. DHHS-OCSE	Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
Personal Health Information	HIPAA	<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	HIPAA BAA	<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	HITECH	<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
Payment Card Information	Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) v 3.2	<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Nacha Operating Rules (ACH)	<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Response: ☐ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
		<i>Explanation:</i>
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☐ Weak

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Federal Tax Information	Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies: IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation: Yes
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: We comply with applicable state and federal regulations when stipulated in executed agreements.
	IRS Pub 1075 Contractor Language Addendum required	Quality of Response: ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation: We comply with applicable state and federal regulations when stipulated in executed agreements.
Student Education Data	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act: FERPA	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
		Explanation:
		Quality of Evidence: ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>
		Explanation:
Affordable Care Act	§ Internal Revenue Service Tax Information Security Guidelines for Federal, State and Local Agencies IRS Pub 1075	Quality of Response: ☐ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>

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	§ Minimum Acceptable Risk Standards for Exchanges MARS-E 2.2	
Medicaid Information	Medicaid Information Technology Architecture MITA3.0	
	§ Code of Federal Regulations 45 CFR 95.621	
Personal Information from	§ Driver's Privacy Protection Act (Title XXX) ("DPPA") 18 U.S.C. Chapter 123, §§ 2721 – 2725	Yes We comply with applicable state and federal regulations when stipulated in executed agreements. Weak
Bill of Materials (BoM)		
(Product Name)	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: N/A	
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak	
	Explanation: No explanation provided.	
MaineIT		
H1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response	
	Explanation: No	

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	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> None of the proposed technical solution is hosted in a data center. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument, which renders the hosting requirement irrelevant and physically impossible for the data collection phase. The data handling only moves to a general IT environment periodically (offloading to a University device), which is already subject to standard IT security policies.
H2	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> None of the proposed technical solution is hosted in a data center. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument, which renders the hosting requirement irrelevant and physically impossible for the data collection phase. The data handling only moves to a general IT environment periodically (offloading to a University device), which is already subject to standard IT security policies.
H3	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☐ <i>Adequate</i> ☒ <i>Weak</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> None of the proposed technical solution is hosted in a data center. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument, which renders the hosting requirement irrelevant and physically impossible for the data collection phase. The data handling only moves to a general IT environment periodically (offloading to a University device), which is already subject to standard IT security policies.
A1	<i>Quality of Response:</i> ☒ <i>Provided a Response</i> ☐ <i>Did not provide a response</i>
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	<i>Quality of Evidence:</i> ☐ <i>Strong</i> ☒ <i>Adequate</i> ☐ <i>Weak</i>

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	<i>Explanation: None of the proposed technical solution is in scope of hosting. This is not applicable to the proposed solution.</i> <i>The Bidder will document a data management plan that incorporates backup and data retention standards.</i>
A2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: No Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak Explanation: The requirement to provide an application management and design standard across multiple environments (Development, Staging, Production, DR, etc.) is not applicable because the proposed solution is based on a field-deployed instrument and not a standard, multi-tiered enterprise application solution.
A3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: No Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak Explanation: Remote/Cloud Hosting Policy is not applicable to the proposed technical solution.
A4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: Yes Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak Explanation: Any data entered, migrated or transmitted by the State into the solution is owned by the State and will be stipulated in executed agreements. The State may pull or copy this data at any time free of charge.
Information Security Standards	
S1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: Yes Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak Explanation: The University of Maine maintains security plans as required. The UMS Information Security Standards can be found here: https://tdx.maine.edu/TDClient/2624/Portal/KB/ArticleDet?ID=173712 Standards are tailored based on internal data classification and specific data security requirements from executed agreements: https://www.maine.edu/apls/apl-vi-i/
S2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response Explanation: Yes

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☒ Adequate ☐ Weak
	Explanation: Where applicable, contract clauses are flown down to subcontractors to ensure commensurate safeguards are in place.
S3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The requirement to report security incidents to the State of Maine's CISO within 24 hours is not in scope of the proposed technical solution primarily because the solution does not operate on the Agency's (State of Maine's) information systems
S4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: Yes
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: Provide link with no risk statement statement
Cloud Service Provider Reqs	
CSP1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.
CSP2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.
CSP3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No

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	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
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CSP4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP15	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP16	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP17	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
CSP18	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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CSP19	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: This requirement is not applicable to the proposed technical solution. The technical solution is a temporary deployment of a standalone, non-networked scientific instrument.</i>
NIST Requirements	
N1	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.</i>
N2	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.</i>
N3	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.</i>
N4	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation:</i> No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
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N5	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.
N6	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.
N7	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard. requirements stipulated through contractual agreements.
N8	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.
N9	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard. The highest non-federal standard we apply is NIST SP 800-171 Revision 2.
N10	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	Explanation: No
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak

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N11	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.</i>
N12	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
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N13	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
	Quality of Evidence: ☐ Strong ☐ Adequate ☒ Weak
	<i>Explanation: The University of Maine System does not apply NIST SP 800-53 Revision 5 as it is a federal standard.</i>
N14	Quality of Response: ☒ Provided a Response ☐ Did not provide a response
	<i>Explanation: No</i>
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I, Kori Groenveld, accept the offer to become a member of the Request for Applications (RFA) Evaluation Team for the State of Maine Department of Energy Resources (DOER). I do hereby accept the terms set forth in this agreement AND hereby disclose any affiliation or relationship I may have in connection with a bidder who has submitted a proposal to this RFA.

Neither I nor any member of my immediate family have a personal or financial interest, direct or indirect, in the bidders whose proposals I will be reviewing. "Interest" may include, but is not limited to: current or former ownership in the bidder's company; current or former Board membership; current or former employment with the bidder; current or former personal contractual relationship with the bidder (example: paid consultant); and/or current or former relationship to a bidder's official which could reasonably be construed to constitute a conflict of interest (personal relationships may be perceived by the public as a potential conflict of interest).

I have not advised, consulted with or assisted any bidder in the preparation of any proposal submitted in response to this RFA nor have I submitted a letter of support or similar endorsement.

I understand and agree that the evaluation process is to be conducted in an impartial manner without bias or prejudice. In this regard, I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, there are no circumstances that would reasonably support a good faith charge of bias. I further understand that in the event a good faith charge of bias is made, it will rest with me to decide whether I should be disqualified from participation in the evaluation process.

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Kori Groenveld

October 14, 2025

Signature

Date

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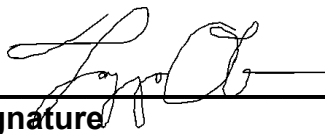
I, Tagwongo Obomsawin, accept the offer to become a member of the Request for Applications (RFA) Evaluation Team for the State of Maine Department of Energy Resources (DOER). I do hereby accept the terms set forth in this agreement AND hereby disclose any affiliation or relationship I may have in connection with a bidder who has submitted a proposal to this RFA.

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I have not advised, consulted with or assisted any bidder in the preparation of any proposal submitted in response to this RFA nor have I submitted a letter of support or similar endorsement.

I understand and agree that the evaluation process is to be conducted in an impartial manner without bias or prejudice. In this regard, I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, there are no circumstances that would reasonably support a good faith charge of bias. I further understand that in the event a good faith charge of bias is made, it will rest with me to decide whether I should be disqualified from participation in the evaluation process.

I agree to hold confidential all information related to the contents of Requests for Applications presented during the review process until such time as the Department formally releases the award decision notices for public distribution.

Dale A. Thomas, Jr.

OCTOBER 10, 2025

Signature

Date

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Janet T. Mills
Governor

Dan Burgess
Director

AGREEMENT AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
RFA #: 202507101

RFA TITLE: Maine BlueTech Innovation: Offshore Wind Monitoring and Testing

I, Stephanie Watson, accept the offer to become a member of the Request for Applications (RFA) Evaluation Team for the State of Maine Department of Energy Resources (DOER). I do hereby accept the terms set forth in this agreement AND hereby disclose any affiliation or relationship I may have in connection with a bidder who has submitted a proposal to this RFA.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephanie Watson".

Signature

10/9/25

Date

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I, Matthew Backus, accept the offer to become a member of the Request for Applications (RFA) Evaluation Team for the State of Maine Department of Energy Resources (DOER). I do hereby accept the terms set forth in this agreement AND hereby disclose any affiliation or relationship I may have in connection with a bidder who has submitted a proposal to this RFA.

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Signed by:

Matthew Backus

10/14/2025

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