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20 August, 2021

Celina Cunningham  
Deputy Director  
Governor's Energy Office  
State of Maine

Dear Ms. Cunningham,

As requested, the Military Aviation and Installation Assurance Siting Clearinghouse coordinated within the Department of Defense (DoD) a review of the State of Maine Offshore Wind Research Project. The results of our review identified minimal impacts to DoD's mission, however, would request some provisions and future coordination on this project.

The Department of the Navy (DON) requests the inclusion of the following actions into the project plans:

- Site the wind turbines as far east as possible in the proposed lease area to minimize encroachment upon DON sea trial activities.
  - Agree to the curtailment (not spinning) of the wind turbines during sea trials. Estimated requirement for curtailment is 250 hours/year.
  - Cooperate with the DON to assess the potential for wind turbines to impact shipboard radar.
  - Allow the DON the ability to coordinate a review of business entities of those involved with the project for foreign ownership, influence or control in order to protect defense capabilities.
- DON POC: Matthew Senska: matthew.senska@navy.mil; 571-970-8400

Thank you for the opportunity to coordinate on this research project. We are providing the contact information to facilitate requested continued coordination, but the Clearinghouse retains oversight when you require DoD input. If you have any questions, please contact me at [steven.j.sample4.civ@mail.mil](mailto:steven.j.sample4.civ@mail.mil) or at 703-571-0076.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Steven J. Sample", is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Steven J. Sample  
Executive Director  
Military Aviation and Installation  
Assurance Siting Clearinghouse