MEETING 2: OSW PORT PLANNING

Thursday, July 7, 2022 – 12pm-5pm Advanced Structures and Composites Center Flagstaff Road at the University of Maine Orono, Maine

Register in advance for this meeting here. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to join the meeting.

Objective:

To describe the technical requirements for an OSW port; OSW Port purpose and need; the requirements for alternatives and analysis; and the opportunities and constraints to future development on Sears Island.

Preparation: Review the Sears Island Planning Initiative posted on the OSWPAG website under Additional Project Information (left side of the page)

PRE-MEETING TOUR FOR OSWPAG MEMBERS

Offshore Wind Research Facilities at the Advanced Structures and Composites

12:00 PM

Center, University of Maine

Habib Dagher, Ph.D., P.E.

Lunch will be served following the Pre-meeting Tour in the Meeting Room

AGENDA TIMES ARE ESTIMATED

1. OSW Port Infrastructure & Operations – working late lunch

1:30 PM

Matt Burns, Executive Director, Maine Port Authority

2:30 PM 2. Draft Purpose and Need for the OSW Port and Requirements for Alternatives and their Analysis

Bill Plumpton, Gannett Fleming

<u>Draft Purpose Statement</u>: The purpose of the proposed action is to construct a marshalling port facility in Maine to support the commercialization of the offshore wind industry.

<u>Draft Need Statement</u>: The State of Maine does not have a marshalling port facility with sufficient space to support the construction, operation, and maintenance of offshore wind turbines.

3. Planning Context in Searsport: Sears Island

3:30 PM

a. Overview of Past Planning Initiatives

Moderated by Beth Ahearn

Presentation by Bruce Van Note

Consensus Agreement, 2007

Maine's Offshore Wind Port Advisory Group website: www.maine.gov/mdot/ofps/oswpag/ Maine's Offshore Wind website: www.maine.gov/energy/initiatives/offshorewind

- Final Report and Recommendations for Implementation of the Sears Island
 Planning Initiative Joint Use Planning Committee, 2009
- Buffer Conservation Easement, 2009
- b. Panel Discussion from OSPWAG Members Involved in Past Planning Initiatives: James Gillway, Dennis Damon, Steve Miller, David Gelinas, and Jim Therriault

4. Public Comment 5:00 PM

Verbal statements at the meeting or written statements submitted via meeting comment forms or the OSWPAG website.

5. Adjournment, upon hearing public comments

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