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Comments on Docket #2024-P-MULTI-0007 -- US Wind Project

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Comments:

I am very opposed to Delaware's participation in the off shore wind project from an environmental and financial standpoint. I believe that the harm done to the Indian River, the natural environment and wildlife, during installation and the long-term effects of this power station thereafter is not worth the risk. To the best of my knowledge, the benefit to the State financially is questionable (particularly with the costs rising) if not detrimental when all factors are considered. Additionally, an upfront, fully funded bond for the removal of the windmills at their life's end must be in place or tax payers will be left with the cost. It is my understanding that US Wind is trying to get around this requirement. Yet, it is the harm to our water and wildlife that concerns me most! Wind turbines require a lot of oil to function and this oil will get into the water. I believe that if Maryland wants these windmills, then Maryland should provide the power station. They will not do so because Ocean City objects (rightfully so) to this project. The presence of the windmills are harmful to whales and dolphins, birds, and potentially many other forms of wild life. I am not an expert, of course, but there is enough evidence available to understand that this project is not a win for our environment nor for our pocketbooks. Please do not approve these permits and protect the interests of the citizens of the State and the wildlife and our waterways.