

Comments Regarding Docket #2024-P-MULTI-0007 (U.S. Wind Permitting Requests and Delaware Environmental Impacts)

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Please record the following objections to even considering this permit application:

- 1) The Governor having signed a Term Sheet with US Wind that provides for \$350,000 per year payments to Delaware creates in principle and in fact a CONFLICT OF INTEREST which should ethically bar any Delaware agency from facilitating it. And so does the "political capital" the Governor and others have invested in US Wind.
- 2) It facilitates the carbon production and CO2 in the atmosphere from the manufacture, transportation and installation of many millions of pounds of Concrete, Steel, Cables, and Turbine Blades, etc., as well as the use of hydrocarbons to de-ice the blades.
- 3) It facilitates the destruction of whales and other species and the destruction of small fishing businesses, and creates hazards to navigation and national security.
- 4) It blights the beach views and has been documented to reduce tourism and other economic activity.
- 5) It endangers those who enjoy the beaches with unproven and un-bonded blade technology that has failed in New England.
- 6) The whole US Wind project is not adequately let alone fully bonded, and is thus a grave RISK to the PUBLIC
- 7) Ocean wind has proven to continue to RAISE ELECTRICITY COSTS, harming us all — especially the most vulnerable, such as older people, young couples and the poor, whereas clean natural gas plants do not, and must be built any way for those times the wind doesn't blow strongly enough.
- 8) The long term Risks and Dangers of underwater cables through a Turbulent Inlet and Fragile Inland Bays are unknown and unknowable until it's too late.
- 9) Maryland refused to bring these Maryland wind cables ashore in Maryland. Maryland citizens rightly objected. Delaware should not impose these Maryland-serving cables on Delaware Beaches and Citizens.

Thank you,

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