

HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

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Dear DNREC,

I wish to express full support for the US Wind landfall proposal which will be discussed on July 9, 2024.

I am a retired chemist and wish to address a criticism incorrectly leveled at the project: use of concrete in the wind turbine support system.

Critics of the project claim that use of concrete in the turbine bases will cause early deterioration. This is not accurate. Based on a report from the US Department of Energy, Oct 17, 2022, "The use of concrete support structures for offshore wind turbines offers many potential advantages over towers comprised of only steel, including greater durability, a longer lifespan, increased local labor opportunities, and much quieter installations". The Dept of Energy findings are that the proper use of concrete impedes corrosion of the steel supports and provides for a long life for the installed towers.

I fully support the US Wind project and consider it beneficial to our citizens and to our environment

Regards,
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