

## HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

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**Subject:** I support granting necessary state permits for U.S. Wind offshore wind project

My brother and I own a residence in Rehoboth Beach which has been in our family since 1951.

I fully support DNREC and the State of Delaware granting U.S. Wind the permits necessary for its project to connect its planned wind project, off the coast of Maryland, to the site adjacent to the Indian River Power Plant.

Climate change is real. It's caused by burning fossil fuels. And it presents a particularly dire risk to Sussex County, since climate change is driving sea level rise, and Sussex County is low-lying. In simple terms, I fear that in the relatively near future sea level rise driven by climate change will flood Rehoboth and other parts of Sussex County that I treasure. In addition, climate change is raising temperatures, making Sussex County less enjoyable, and is fueling stronger storms, particularly hurricanes.

A big part of the answer is to develop large-scale renewable power, particularly wind farm projects like the one planned by U.S. Wind. And the permits requested by U.S. are reasonable and necessary to make that project possible.

Therefore, I wholeheartedly support the applications by U.S. Wind, and urge DNREC and the State of Delaware to grant the necessary permits to make this wind power project possible.

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