

RE: 401 Water Quality Certification Request- US Wind Inc.

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Dear Mr. Jones:

On April 30, 2024, the certifying authority confirmed that they received a 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) request for application number NAB-2020-60863-M34 (US Wind, Inc. - MD Offshore Wind Energy/FAST-41) on April 22, 2024. The certifying authority and Corps have determined the applicable reasonable period of time to act on this certification request is 180 days (6 months) from the receipt of this certification request. If the certifying authority fails or refuses to act by October 19, 2024, then the 401 WQC is considered to be waived. To request an extension of the reasonable period of time to act on this certification request, please contact Ms. Erica Schmidt at erica.schmidt@usace.army.mil. If certified, please send the 401 WQC to my e-mail address above.

Thank You,

Erica Schmidt

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Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2024 12:06 PM

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] 401 Water Quality Certification Request- US Wind Inc.

Dear Ms. Schmidt,

Please find the attached letter notifying the United States of Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District of receipt and acceptance of the 401 Water Quality Certification Request for US Wind, Inc.

Due to file size constraints, I have included the link below which includes the 401 WQC Request from US Wind, Inc. and associated documentation.

<https://dnrec.delaware.gov/events/dnrec-joint-permitting-hearing-us-wind-project/>

If you have any questions, please contact me

Thank you,



Matthew Jones

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April 30, 2024

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RE: 401 Water Quality Certification Request: US Wind, Inc.

Dear Ms. Schmidt,

On April 15, 2024, the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) received the attached Water Quality Certification (WQC) request from TRC on behalf of US Wind, Inc. in regard to the construction and associated infrastructure of an offshore wind farm in Sussex County, Delaware.

The WQC rule requires the Certifying Agency (DNREC) to inform the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District (USACE) of the date the request was received. DNREC received the Water Quality Certification Request on April 15, 2024, and deemed it administratively complete on April 22, 2024.

Attached to this email is a copy of the 401 Water Quality Certification Request and associated documentation as required by 40 CFR Section 121.5.

If you should have any questions, please contact Matthew Jones at (302) 739-9385 or via email at matthew.jones@delaware.gov

Sincerely,

Matthew Jones

Matthew R. Jones, Section Manager
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