New York State Responses to Draft Proposed Sale Notice

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New York State Clean Energy Goals

CLEAN ENERGY ECONOMY
- nearly 159,000 clean energy jobs
- now

RENEWABLE ENERGY
- 6,000 MW of distributed solar
- by 2025

RENEWABLE ENERGY/ CLEAN ENERGY STANDARD
- 70% electricity from renewable energy
- by 2030

RENEWABLE ENERGY
- 9,000 MW of offshore wind
- by 2035

CLEAN ELECTRICITY
- 100% zero-emission electricity
- by 2040

GHG REDUCTION
- 85% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from 1990 levels
- by 2050

RESILIENT and DISTRIBUTED GRID
- 1,500 MW of energy storage
- by 2025

ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 185 TWh end-use savings in buildings and industrial facilities
- by 2025

GHG REDUCTION
- 40% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from 1990 levels
- by 2035

3,000 MW of energy storage
- 30,000 employed in storage sector
New York State Offshore Wind Portfolio:
5 projects / 4,316 MW / 6,800 jobs / $12.1B Economic Activity

Port of Albany: Marenas/Welcon Tower Factory

Port of Coeymans: Gravity Based Foundation Manufacturing

South Brooklyn Marine Terminal: Staging and Assembly, Operations & Maintenance (O&M)

SUNY Stonybrook & Farmingdale: $20M Offshore Wind Training Institute (OWTI)

Port Jefferson: Operations & Maintenance (O&M)

East Setauket: $10M National Offshore Wind Training Center (Montauk & Suffolk County Community College)
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Minimum Bid
Proposed: Increase the minimum bid from $2.00 to $100.00 per acre.

> NYS Response: Neutral on this factor.

Operations Term
Proposed: 33-year operations terms, unchanged.

> NYS Response: Supportive of the current 33-year operations term as a minimum threshold.
Limits Per Bidder
Proposed: BOEM may limit bidders to one or two lease areas depending upon the number of lease areas offered.

- NYS Response: Supportive to encourage leaseholder diversity.
- NYS additionally encourages BOEM to consider a tightly sequenced, continuous auction process in 2021 to resolve the sale of each lease area prior to initiating sale of next lease area to promote clarity.
DOD Lease Stipulations

Proposed: Leases within the Hudson South WEA would be limited to 1,000 ft above sea level, unless otherwise approved by BOEM.

- NYS Response: Agree that national security considerations are an important consideration in siting and design of offshore wind.
- Support efforts to ensure states can avail themselves of next generation technology.
Number, Size, Orientation, and Location of Proposed Leases
Proposed: Eight (8) Wind Energy Areas proposed for 2021 Lease Sale, each approximately 1GW, totaling ~7,616 MW of installed capacity.

- NYS Response: The proposed eight (8) 2021 Lease Sales are acceptable in their number, size, shape, orientation, and location.
- Proposed Leases reflect good balance to maximizing energy density while accommodating transit lanes for safe and efficient passage by fishermen and other maritime users.
- Encourage BOEM to work closely with the USCG, DOD, and the maritime shipping industry to mitigate conflicts including viability of the Hudson North and the Hudson South Lease Area "A" whose inclusion will be important to achieve regional offshore wind goals.
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- Continue to discourage leasing of the Fairways North and South based on maritime and fishing risks as well as distance from shore.
- Encourage BOEM to solicit additional stakeholder input and prioritize coordination of turbine layouts among and between leases to maximize access to, and through, turbine arrays; including requiring lessee good faith engagement with key stakeholders.
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Transit Corridors
Proposed: Defined transit lanes and widths oriented in general alignment with the Transit Study.

> NYS Response: Satisfied with the Lease Area layout provided by BOEM including the incorporation of transit corridors upfront in the leasing process.

> Encourage BOEM to require lease holders to work with the commercial fishing industry to develop project layouts to balance energy production and commercial fishing access.
Visual Impacts

Proposed: BOEM seeks input on the most sensitive viewpoints onshore.

- NYS Response: All distances of Wind Energy Areas (WEAs) proposed for 2021 Lease Sale (excludes Fairways) are greater than 20.5 nautical miles (23.5 statute miles).

- Visual impacts to either NYS or New Jersey are expected to be minimal or non-existent.

- Proposed 2021 Lease Sale WEA are consistent with NYS recommendations through the NYS Offshore Wind Master Plan.
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Transmission & Cable Landfall
Proposed: BOEM offering continued dialogue with the Task Force and interested parties and input on landfall locations.

- NYS Response: Recent Initial NY Power Grid Study (PSC Case No. 20-E-0197) offers important insights into offshore and onshore transmission design recommendations.
- Encourage BOEM to rely on NYS Article VII process within State waters as a means of ensuring complementary and thorough review without redundancy.
- Continued collaboration with BOEM and federal agencies on cable installation designs (e.g., Minimal burial depths/least impact crossings) in coordination with stakeholders will be beneficial to minimize impacts.
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Lease Stipulations Regarding Protected Species
Proposed: Improve consistency of the project design criteria (PDCs) and best management practices (BMPs) with recent National Marine Fisheries Service incidental harassment authorizations for site survey and data collection.

- NYS Response: Applaud efforts to streamline permitting and oversight processes and implement proven measures to support important wildlife protections.
Thank you

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