



January 10, 2011

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management,
Regulation and Enforcement of Offshore Alternative Energy Programs
381 Elden Street, Mail Stop 4090
Herndon, VA 20170

Re: Docket No. BOEM-2010-0038 - Commercial Leasing for Wind Power on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Offshore Maryland;
Re: Maritime Exchange for the Delaware River and Bay letter of January 4, 2011 to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

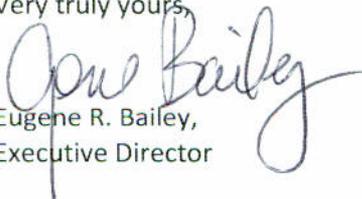
Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments to your above referenced document. Please accept this letter from the Diamond State Port Corporation (DSPC) a legal entity of the State of Delaware charged by the State with the ownership, operational, commercial and financial responsibilities of the Port of Wilmington, Delaware, and with the management of its real property assets. Located at the confluence of the Christina and Delaware rivers, 65 miles from the Atlantic Ocean, with over 400 vessel arrivals and handling over 4 million tons of cargo annually, the Port of Wilmington is the largest and most active marine terminal on the Delaware River.

We have carefully reviewed the above captioned letter from the Maritime Exchange containing its comments to BOEM-2010-0038. Following such review the DSPC fully supports its analysis of the RFI document including: its concerns about placement of the RFI area immediately adjacent to the heavily trafficked southern terminus of the north-south traffic separation lane into the Delaware River; its recommendations for future courses of action by BOEMRE regarding RFI area planning; and, inclusion of commercial entities, who depend on the unobstructed access to this area for their commercial viability, in the allocation planning of these and future RFI areas.

Please be assured that the DSPC fully supports the thoughtful and commercially sensitive allocation, management and leasing of outer continental shelf tracts for the development of offshore wind energy parks as contemplated by the BOEMRE. And, it would be pleased to participate in future discussions on this very important topic to ensure that all regional maritime stakeholders have the opportunity to support the growth of off-shore renewable energy sources while avoiding any unintended commercial consequences.

Very truly yours,


Eugene R. Bailey,
Executive Director

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