

## New Jersey Auction Results

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#### **New Jersey Auction Overview**

- Competitive lease sale held November 9, 2015
- 2 Lease Areas (LAs) offered
- Change from Proposed Sale Notice (PSN) to Final Sale Notice (FSN) in response to comments received on the PSN

A bidder can bid on and win only one of the two LAs



### New Jersey Auction Overview

- Online auction hosted by Power Auctions LLC
- Three bidders participated
  - 1) Fishermen's Energy, LLC
  - 2) RES America Developments Inc.
  - 3) U.S. Wind Inc.



#### **Auction Format**

- Simultaneous ascending clock auction (SACA) format Timed rounds, asking prices ↑ from the previous round
- Eligibility restricted to one LA (i.e., one bid per round)
- Bidders allowed to switch from one LA to the other



#### Format: Round Structure

- BOEM publishes the asking price
  - Round 1: minimum bid prices published in the FSN
- Bidders place bids

<u>Live bid</u>: meets BOEM's full asking price for current round

Exit bid: greater than last round's price but less than current round

Round closes



#### Format continued

At the end of each round, BOEM provides to bidders:

Next round's asking price

Number of bidders who met the previous round's asking price

- The auction continues until there is at most one bidder on each LA
- Prices increase from round to round when there is more than one bid on a LA



#### **Auction Results Overview**

RES America won OCS-A 0498:

\$ 880,715

+

U.S. Wind won OCS-A 0499:

\$1,006,240

**Total Auction Revenue** 

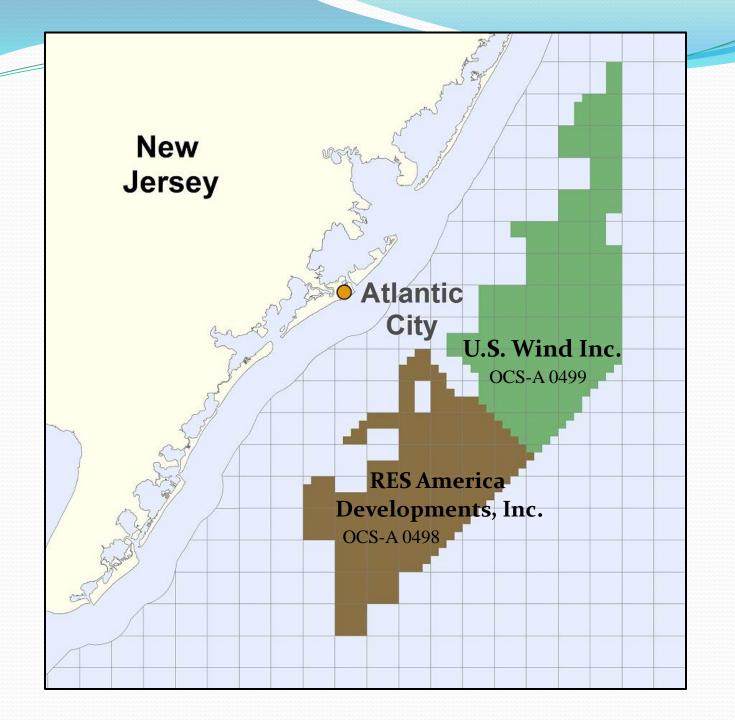
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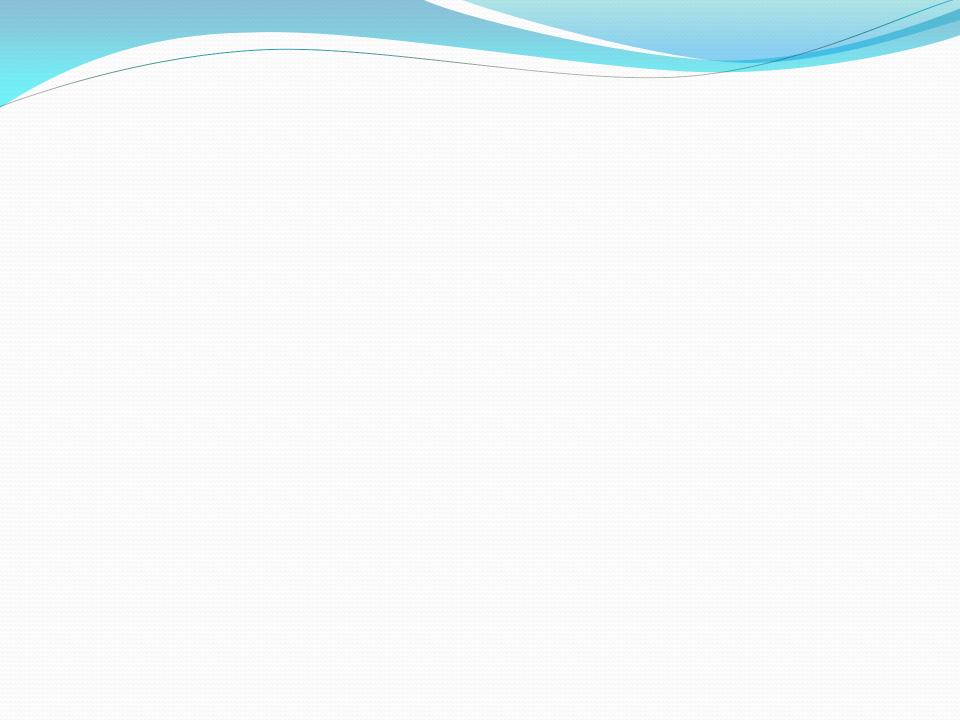
Total Bid Prices ÷ Acreage

\$ 5.49/acre

# Round Results

Company Name	Bid Type	Bid Amount	Lease Area
Round 1:			
RES America Developments Inc.	Live	\$320,960	South (OCS-A 0498)
U.S. Wind Inc.	Live	\$366,706	North (OCS-A 0499)
Fishermen's Energy, LLC	Live	\$366,706	North (OCS-A 0499)
Round 2:			
RES America Developments Inc.	Live	\$320,960	South (OCS-A 0498)
U.S. Wind Inc.	Live	\$513,388	North (OCS-A 0499)
Fishermen's Energy, LLC	Live	\$513,388	North (OCS-A 0499)
Round 3:	,		
RES America Developments Inc.	Live	\$320,960	South (OCS-A 0498)
U.S. Wind Inc.	Live	\$320,960	South (OCS-A 0498)
Fishermen's Energy, LLC	Live	\$320,960	South (OCS-A 0498)
Round 4:			
RES America Developments Inc.	Live	\$449,344	South (OCS-A 0498)
U.S. Wind Inc.	Live	\$718,743	North (OCS-A 0499)
Fishermen's Energy, LLC	Live	\$449,344	South (OCS-A 0498)
Round 5:			
RES America Developments Inc.	Live	\$629,082	South (OCS-A 0498)
U.S. Wind Inc.	Live	\$718,743	North (OCS-A 0499)
Fishermen's Energy, LLC	Live	\$629,082	South (OCS-A 0498)
Round 6:			
RES America Developments Inc.	Live	\$880,715	South (OCS-A 0498)
U.S. Wind Inc.	Live	\$718,743	North (OCS-A 0499)
Fishermen's Energy, LLC	Live	\$718,743	North (OCS-A 0499)
Round 7:			
<b>RES America Developments Inc.</b>	Live	\$880,715	South (OCS-A 0498)
U.S. Wind Inc.	Live	\$1,006,240	North (OCS-A 0499)
Fishermen's Energy, LLC	Exit	\$739,000	North (OCS-A 0499)







#### **Post-Auction Review**

• In accordance with the Act at 43 U.S.C. 1337(c), following the auction, and before the acceptance of bids and the issuance of leases, BOEM:

"allow[s] the Attorney General, in consultation with the Federal Trade Commission, 30 days to review the results of the lease sale."

- Department of Justice completed review December 7, 2015
  - Awarding the LAs would not create or maintain a situation inconsistent with antitrust laws.



#### Wind Energy Leases

- The Office of Renewable Energy Programs executed the leases on February 4, 2016
- Effective date for leases is March 1, 2016



#### Questions

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