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Executive Summary

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., a direct nonregulated subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation, was awarded a Commercial Lease of Submerged Lands (Lease) within Lease Area OCS-A 0546 (Lease Area) from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) for the development of an offshore wind energy generation project (Project).¹ This section provides a summary of survey and development activities conducted during the reporting period. It also provides a summary of updates on the progress of communication efforts with interested federal and state agencies and potentially affected federally and non-federally recognized Tribes, fisheries, and other stakeholders. The following actions have occurred to date:

Tribal Engagement Summary:

- No engagement with Tribes occurred during the reporting period.

Fisheries Engagement Summary:

- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, OCS-A-0483-Virginia Electric and Power Company and OCS-A-0508-Avangrid Renewables, LLC to provide project updates to the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC). OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to engage with the SEFSC as applicable. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- The OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. Fisheries Liaison Officer (FLO) and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay FLO collaborated to provide ongoing project and regional coordination updates on fisheries engagement with the OCS-A-0508-Avangrid Renewables, LLC and OCS-A-0483-Virginia Electric and Power Company FLOs. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to engage and coordinate with regional developers as applicable. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to coordinate with the Regional Fisheries Manager for the Office of Fisheries Management within the Marine Resources Division of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), in January of 2025, to share information on project construction activities and strategize engagement efforts with recreational and commercial fishers. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- In December of 2024, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to attend a public comment session meeting with the

¹ Lease area OCS-A 0546 Duke Energy Renewables Wind, LLC, was assigned to Cinergy Corp. on July 12, 2023. Cinergy Corp. is a direct non-regulated subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation that is not regulated by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council (SAFMC). See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.

- Throughout the reporting period, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to coordinate with recreational and commercial fishers to provide project updates. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.

Agency Engagement Summary:

- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay collaborated to attend a meeting with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and BOEM to receive project updates on the NOAA Habitat Study in January 2025. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to collaborate with BOEM and NOAA to receive project updates on the results of the Habitat Study as appropriate. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay collaborated to conduct joint calls with BOEM to discuss development activities. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to collaborate and provide project updates to BOEM, as appropriate. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. submitted the Marine Debris Awareness Training Compliance 2024 Report to BOEM on January 29, 2025.
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. submitted Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Form 0187 Submission for calendar year 2024
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay supported the offshore transmission spatial analysis modeling project being conducted by the National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science (NCCOS), in partnership with BOEM. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.

Summary of Other Engagements:

- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. continues to serve on the external advisory board of the Wildlife and Offshore Wind (WOW) project, a systems approach to research and risk assessment for offshore wind development being led by Duke University. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay initiated coordination with the University of North Carolina Wilmington Center for Marine Science (UNCW CMS) to share project updates and explore opportunities for academic collaboration.

- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to participate in the Brunswick County Shoreline Protection Consortium meeting in January and March 2025 to open lines of communication. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to engage with the Brunswick County Shoreline Protection Consortium as applicable. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. participated in the Electric Power Research Institute's (EPRI) Offshore Wind Supplemental Project to fill a knowledge gap by providing a collaborative, cross-cutting research platform to address offshore wind-specific research and development needs throughout the project lifecycle. See Section 3 for updates on agency, fisheries, and other stakeholder engagement.
- OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. participated in the Acquisition Request for Information (ARFI) administered by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (North Carolina Utilities). The ARFI seeks to establish an estimate of the costs and evaluate the unique risk profiles of offshore wind projects in the Carolinas for the future procurements of offshore wind projects, up to 2,400 MW by 2035.

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LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|------------|---|
| ACP | Agency Communication Plan |
| AP | Advisory Panel |
| ARFI | Acquisition Request for Information |
| ASA | American Sportfishing Association |
| Atwell | Atwell, LLC |
| BMPs | best management practices |
| BOEM | Bureau of Ocean Energy Management |
| BSEE | Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement |
| COP | Construction and Operations Plan |
| eNGO | environmental non-governmental organization |
| EPRI | Electric Power Research Institute |
| FCP | Fisheries Communication Plan |
| FLO | Fisheries Liaison Officer |
| Lease | Commercial Lease of Submerged Lands |
| Lease Area | Lease Area OCS-A 0546 |
| MOTUS | Motus Wildlife Tracking System |
| NATCP | Native American Tribes Communication Plan |
| NCCOS | National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science |
| NCDEQ | North Carolina Division of Environmental Quality |
| NCDMF | North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries |
| NC DNCR | North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources |
| NCFA | North Carolina Fishers Association |
| NCWRC | North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission |
| NGO | non-governmental organization |
| NMFS | National Marine Fisheries Service |
| NOAA | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration |
| NRDC | Natural Resources Defense Council |
| OCS | outer continental shelf |
| PDC | Project Design Criteria |

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| Project | Duke Energy's offshore wind energy generation project |
| SAFMC | South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council |
| SC DNR | South Carolina Department of Natural Resources |
| SEFSC | Southeast Fisheries Science Center |
| SELC | Southern Environmental Law Center |
| UNCW CMS | University of North Carolina Wilmington Center for Marine Science |
| USACE | United States Army Corps of Engineers |
| US EPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| USFWS | United States Fish and Wildlife Service |
| WOW | Wildlife and Offshore Wind |

1. PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND

1.1. Purpose

This Progress Report covers the period from December 1, 2024, to June 1, 2025, (the reporting period). The purpose of this Progress Report is to document the overall project progress and engagement activities undertaken with potentially affected Native American Tribes, communities, ocean user groups, and other stakeholders since the last reporting period.

In accordance with the OCS-A 0546 lease stipulations, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will submit a progress report to BOEM every six months, unless directed otherwise, through approval of the Construction and Operations Plan (COP).

This Progress Report complies with the following stipulations:

- Identify Native American Tribes with cultural and/or historical ties to the Lease Area and stakeholders potentially affected by the project activities.
- Document, and update for subsequent reports, engagement with Native American Tribes and stakeholders that may be potentially affected by the project activities since the previous reporting period.
- Document potential adverse effects from the Lessee's project activities to the interests of Native American Tribes and stakeholders who may be potentially affected by the project activities.
- Document how, if at all, the design or implementation of the Project has been informed by or altered to address these potential effects (including by investing in or directing benefits to Native American Tribes and stakeholders that may be potentially affected by the project activities).
- Provide a description of any anticipated or scheduled engagement activities for the next reporting period.
- Provide feedback from engagement with Native American Tribes and stakeholders who may be potentially affected by the project activities regarding transmission planning, prior to proposing any export cable route.
- Provide information that can be made available to the public and posted on the BOEM website.

1.2. Lessee Information

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. is a commercial business unit that is a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation.² Duke Energy (NYSE: DUK), a Fortune 150 company headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, is one of America's largest energy holding companies. Its electric utilities serve 8.4 million customers in North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Indiana, Ohio, and Kentucky, and collectively own ~54,800 megawatts of energy capacity. Its natural gas unit serves 1.7 million customers in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Ohio, and Kentucky. The company employs 27,600 people. Duke Energy's primary business operations include generation, transmission, distribution, and sale of electricity and distribution of natural gas to retail customers. A chronological history of Duke Energy and its predecessor companies is available at <https://www.duke-energy.com/our-company/about-us/our-history>.

1.3. Lease Description

The Lease Area (OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp.) lies within federally administered waters and is located roughly 22–35 statute miles (~19–30 nautical miles) off the coasts of North Carolina and South Carolina, southeast of Wilmington, North Carolina, on the outer continental shelf (OCS). OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. covers approximately 55,154 acres and lies adjacent to the OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay Lease Area.

The Lease Area is shown on Figure 1.

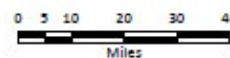
² Lease area OCS-A 0546 Duke Energy Renewables Wind, LLC, was assigned to Cinergy Corp. on July 12, 2023. Cinergy Corp. is a direct non-regulated subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation that is not regulated by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

This map displays the coastal regions of North and South Carolina, highlighting the locations of OCS-A 0545 and OCS-A 0546. The map includes major cities such as Charlotte, NC, Raleigh, NC, and Charleston, SC. The OCS-A 0545 area is outlined in black, and the OCS-A 0546 area is outlined in green. The map also shows the Atlantic Ocean, the Gulf Stream, and the Blake Plateau. A legend in the bottom right corner identifies the symbols used for the OCS-A areas, principal ports, and rivers and harbors.

Legend:

- OCS-A 0546-Chenry Corp.
- OCS-A 0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay
- Principal Port
- Rivers and Harbors Act

Atlantic Ocean



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2. TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT

The Native American Tribes Communication Plan (NATCP) describes the strategies, tools, procedures, and protocols that will be used to engage and communicate with federally and non-federally recognized Native American Tribes/Tribal Nations. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. is committed to sharing project information and soliciting feedback from Tribes/Tribal Nations on how to develop a project that avoids, minimizes, and/or mitigates impacts to environmental, social, economic, and cultural resources important to Native American communities. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay intend to continue to coordinate project development, survey activities, site assessment activities, and engagement with potentially affected stakeholders and interested Native American Tribes to the extent appropriate and practicable.

2.1. Overall Tribal Engagement Progress Since Last Report

Native American Tribal engagements and outcomes are detailed in Table 1 and will be updated to incorporate additional feedback from Native American Tribes. This table will also be updated to document any Native American Tribes who indicate that they are not interested in further engagement. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to invite all federally recognized Native American Tribes to participate in NATCP engagement opportunities until the Tribe provides a written notice that it does not seek to participate in the development of the NATCP. However, no Tribal engagement occurred during the reporting period.

Table 1: Tribal engagement during reporting period

| Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Tribe(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes | Follow-up Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|------------------------------------|----------|---|---|
| Federally Recognized Tribes | | | |

No engagement occurred with Federally Recognized Tribes during the reporting period.

| Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Tribe(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes | Follow-up Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|--|----------|---|---|
| Non-federally Recognized Tribes | | | |

No engagement occurred with Non-Federally Recognized Tribes during the reporting period.

2.2. Identification of Potential Project Effects Related to Tribal Interests

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. received no feedback or input regarding potential project effects related to Tribal interests during this reporting period. As additional feedback or input is received, Table 2 will be updated accordingly.

Table 2: Potential effects and Tribal input on project design or implementation during reporting period

| Potential Effect / Input | Affected Tribe | Efforts to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed |
|--------------------------|----------------|---|
|--------------------------|----------------|---|

No feedback or input regarding potential project effects related to Tribal interests was received during this reporting period.

2.3. Tribal Feedback on Transmission Planning

Currently OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. has no information to share regarding the status or locations of offshore export cable corridors, onshore transmission routes, or onshore substations. When appropriate, per lease stipulation 3.1.1, engagement activities will be focused on notifying potentially affected Native American Tribes and other parties of transmission planning and siting, developing an understanding of their concerns, and mitigating issues in a manner equivalent to the mitigation coordination for survey activities. Obtaining feedback from Native American Tribes regarding transmission planning will occur as part of regular and coordinated engagement with Native American Tribes. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will work with the appropriate Tribes to assess relevant impacts and interest in transmission planning when locations for offshore cable corridors, onshore transmission routes, or substation locations are proposed.

2.4. Anticipated or Scheduled Tribal Engagement Activities

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay intend to provide project updates, as necessary, to Native American Tribes to elicit project feedback and recommendations from Tribes/Tribal Nations during the next reporting period. As site assessment activities are planned, currently no sooner than 2026, engagement with Native American tribes will occur. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will work with interested Native American Tribes to achieve alignment on survey approaches, understand concerns, and mitigate issues ahead of scheduled Project activities. Additionally, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and the Tribal Liaison will continue to engage with Native American Tribes to learn whether they use any portion of the project area for subsistence fishing.

The joint NATCP has been posted to the OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. project website at the following link: [duke-energy-native-american-tribes-comms.pdf](#)

As Tribal engagement activities are anticipated or scheduled, they will be recorded in Table 3.

Table 3: Anticipated Tribal engagement activities for the next reporting period

| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Tribe(s)* | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|---|---|---|
| Federally Recognized Tribes | | |
| Provide project updates to federally recognized Native American Tribes/Tribal Nations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians • Catawba Indian Nation • Tuscarora Nation • United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians • Nansemond Indian Nation • Chickahominy Indian Tribe • Monacan Indian Nation • Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe • Rappahannock Tribe • Pamunkey Indian Tribe • Seminole Tribe of Florida | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will coordinate on projects updates to all federally recognized Native American Tribes/Tribal Nations who have not declined participation in the NATCP process. |
| Engagement with federally recognized Native American Tribes/Tribal Nations to determine whether any Tribes in the project area practice subsistence fishing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians • Catawba Indian Nation • Tuscarora Nation • United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians • Nansemond Indian Nation • Chickahominy Indian Tribe • Monacan Indian Nation • Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe • Rappahannock Tribe • Pamunkey Indian Tribe • Seminole Tribe of Florida | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay plan to continue to coordinate jointly to determine whether Tribal subsistence fishers use areas within or near the project area. |

| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Tribe(s)* | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|---|--|--|
| Non-federally Recognized Tribes | | |
| Provide project updates to non-federally recognized Native American Tribes/Tribal Nations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians • Beaver Creek Indians • Eastern Cherokee, Southern Iroquois, and United Tribes of South Carolina • Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina • Edisto Natchez-Kusso Tribe of South Carolina • Lower Eastern Cherokee Nation of South Carolina • Pee Dee Indian Tribe • Coharie Indian Tribe • Haliwa-Saponi Tribe • Chaloklowa Chickasaw Indian People • Meherrin Indian Tribe • Natchez Tribe of South Carolina • Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation • Pee Dee Indian Nation of Beaver Creek • Pee Dee Indian Nation of Upper South Carolina • Piedmont American Indian Association • Sappony • Sumter Tribe of Cheraw Indians • The Santee Indian Organization • Waccamaw Siouan • Waccamaw Indian People | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will coordinate on project updates to all non-federally recognized Native American Tribes/Tribal Nations who have not declined participation in the NATCP process. |

| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Tribe(s)* | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|---|--|---|
| Engagement with non-federally recognized Native American Tribes/Tribal Nations to determine whether any Tribes in the project area practice subsistence fishing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians • Beaver Creek Indians • Eastern Cherokee, Southern Iroquois, and United Tribes of South Carolina • Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina • Edisto Natchez-Kusso Tribe of South Carolina • Lower Eastern Cherokee Nation of South Carolina • Pee Dee Indian Tribe • Coharie Indian Tribe • Haliwa-Saponi Tribe • Chaloklowa Chickasaw Indian People • Meherrin Indian Tribe • Natchez Tribe of South Carolina • Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation • Pee Dee Indian Nation of Beaver Creek • Pee Dee Indian Nation of Upper South Carolina • Piedmont American Indian Association • Sappony • Sumter Tribe of Cheraw Indians • The Santee Indian Organization • Waccamaw Siouan • Waccamaw Indian People | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay plan to coordinate jointly to determine whether Tribal subsistence fishers use areas within or near the project area. |

*Tribes or Tribal Nations that indicate they do not want to participate in the engagement process between now and the next reporting period may be removed from the above anticipated/scheduled engagement lists.

3. ENGAGEMENT WITH POTENTIALLY AFFECTED PARTIES

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay intend to coordinate project development, survey activities, site assessment activities, and engagement with potentially affected stakeholders to the extent appropriate and practicable. As part of the lease stipulations, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will make reasonable efforts to consult with the following potentially affected stakeholder groups:

- Coastal communities;
- Commercial and recreational fishing industries;
- Educational and research institutions;
- Environmental and public interest non-governmental organizations (NGOs);
- Federal, state, and local agencies;
- Federally recognized Tribes;
- Mariners and the maritime industry;
- Ocean users;
- Submarine cable operators; and
- Affected communities.

See Appendix A for a list of all other potentially affected stakeholders who may have an interest in the Project. Appendix A will be updated as the Project progresses to track potentially affected stakeholders.

3.1. Overall Engagement Progress Since Last Report

During this reporting period, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay collaborated on a range of stakeholder and agency engagement activities. These included joint meetings with NOAA and BOEM to receive updates on the NOAA Habitat Study, participation in BOEM discussions on development activities, and support for offshore transmission spatial analysis modeling with NCCOS. OCS-A-0546 also submitted the 2024 Marine Debris Awareness Training Compliance Report to BOEM on January 29, 2025 and submitted the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Form 0187. Additionally, BOEM issued an amended and restated lease to comport with the Renewable Energy Modernization Rule. Additional efforts involved opening communication with the University of North Carolina Wilmington's Center for Marine Science, serving on the advisory board for Duke University's Wildlife and Offshore Wind (WOW) project, participating in Brunswick County Shoreline Protection Consortium meetings, engaging in the EPRI's offshore wind research initiative and participating in the North Carolina Utilities ARFI and the N.C. Clean

Energy Technology Center Renewable Energy Siting through Technical Engagement and Planning program, as identified in Table 4.

3.1.1. Fisheries Communication Plan

The OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. Fisheries Communication Plan (FCP) is a living document that describes the approach to communication with fishers and fisheries stakeholders. Engagement associated with the FCP, project development, potential issues, and collaborative identification of solutions will be documented in this Progress Report. See Appendix A for a list of potentially affected commercial and recreational fisheries, mariners and maritime industry entities, and other ocean users who may have an interest in, or concerns with, the Project. Appendix A will be updated as the Project progresses to track potentially interested commercial and recreational fishers, mariners and maritime industry entities, and other ocean users.

OCS-A0546-Cinergy Corp. engaged a FLO, Katherine McGlade, in October 2022, prior to submitting the Draft FCP. The FLO is responsible for making reasonable efforts to consult with commercial and recreational fisheries, mariners and the maritime industry, and other ocean users with interests in, or potential concerns with, project activities. The OCS-A 0546-Cinergy Corp. FLO is working to implement the engagement plan detailed in the FCP. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to coordinate with the Regional Fisheries Manager for the Office of Fisheries Management within the Marine Resources Division of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR), in January of 2025, to share information on project construction activities and strategize engagement efforts with recreational and commercial fishers. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, OCS-A-0483-Virginia Electric and Power Company and OCS-A-0508-Avangrid Renewables, LLC to provide project updates to the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC) and provide ongoing project and regional coordination updates on fisheries engagement. Lastly, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay collaborated to engage with various recreational and commercial fishers during survey activities.

A summary of these engagements and outcomes is provided in Table 4. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates that further engagement will occur in response to site assessment activities (planned no earlier than 2026), including identifying stakeholders, notifying stakeholders of upcoming activities, understanding their concerns, and mitigating issues.

The FCP has been posted to the Duke Energy website at the following link: [duke-energy-fisheries-communication-plan.pdf](#).

3.1.2. Agency Communication Plan

The OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. Agency Communication Plan (ACP) is a living document meant to describe OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp.'s approach to communication with each agency.

Engagement associated with the ACP, project development, required permits and authorizations, potential issues, and collaborative identification of solutions will be documented in this Progress Report.

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to collaborate and provide project updates to the federal and state agencies as appropriate. OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. submitted the Marine Debris Awareness Training Compliance 2024 Report and BSEE Form 0187 Submission for calendar year 2024. BOEM issued the restated and amended lease to incorporate the provisions of the Renewable Energy Modernization Rule. Additionally, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to conduct joint calls with BOEM to discuss development activities on a regular schedule.

A summary of these engagements and any agency recommendations are provided in Table 4, which will be updated as appropriate as the Project progresses to track follow-up actions, activities, and outcomes. See Appendix A for a list of all federal and state agencies that may have an interest in the Project, which will be updated as the Project progresses to track potentially interested agencies.

The ACP has been posted to the Duke Energy website at the following link: [duke-energy-agency-communication-plan.pdf](#).

3.1.3. Engagement With Other Stakeholders

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. continues to serve on the external advisory board of the WOW project led by Duke University, engage in national- and state-level policy on offshore wind by participating in various summits and briefings, and participate in information sharing meetings on offshore wind permitting activities in the mid-Atlantic.

A summary of these engagements and any agency recommendations received are provided in Table 4.

Table 4: Engagement with parties during reporting period

| Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party(ies) | Follow-up Action/Activities/Outcomes | Coordinated Engagement |
|--|---|--|--|
| Fisheries Communication Plan Engagement | | | |
| Collaboration and information flow with the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay and the Coastal Research Section Manager with the SCDNR, Dr. Tracey Smart. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to collaborate with the SCDNR to strategize the development of a Fisheries Monitoring Plan. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to coordinate with the Coastal Research Section Manager with the SCDNR, Dr. Tracey Smart, to strategize the development of a Fisheries Monitoring Plan based on her experience overseeing surveys in the region including the NCCOS Carolina Long Bay Habitat Study. |
| South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council (SAFMC) Meeting Public Comment Session | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, SAFMC members, Dave Garner (Vonda Kay Captain), Martha Guyas (American Sportfishing Association [ASA] Southeast Fisheries Policy Director), and Dewey Hemilright (North Carolina Fisheries Association [NCFA] Treasurer). | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to provide project updates as applicable. | In December of 2024, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to participate in the public comment session. |

| Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party(ies) | Follow-up Action/Activities/Outcomes | Coordinated Engagement |
|--|---|---|--|
| Collaboration and information flow with the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, and Amy Dukes (SCDNR Regional Fisheries Manager). | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to engage with the SCDNR to share project information and updates as applicable. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay coordinated to hold a meeting with the SCDNR for information sharing on offshore wind construction activities and commercial and recreational fishers engagement strategy. |
| Collaboration and information flow with the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC) | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, OCS-A-0483-Virginia Electric and Power Company, OCS-A-0508-Avangrid Renewables, LLC, and the SEFSC. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to engage with the SEFSC to share project information and updates as applicable. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, OCS-A-0483-Virginia Electric and Power Company, and OCS-A-0508-Avangrid Renewables, LLC collaborated to engage the SEFSC. |
| Regional coordination on fisheries engagement | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, OCS-A-0508-Avangrid Renewables, LLC and OCS-A-0483-Virginia Electric and Power Company | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to meet with other regional FLOs to share information and coordinate engagement with other fisheries groups. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay coordinated joint engagements with the regional FLOs. |

| Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party(ies) | Follow-up Action/Activities/Outcomes | Coordinated Engagement |
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| Agency Communication Plan Engagement | | | |
| Meeting with NOAA NCCOS and BOEM to discuss the Carolina Long Bay Habitat Mapping Study and general updates | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, BOEM, and NOAA NCCOS | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will continue to be briefed on NCCOS's Carolina Long Bay Habitat Mapping Study as milestones in the project are reached and discuss general project updates | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. collaborated with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay to provide project updates to the NCCOS regarding the Carolina Long Bay Habitat Mapping Study. |
| Bi-monthly calls with BOEM to discuss development activities including outreach updates, survey activities, and site assessment plan | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, Atwell, and BOEM | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will continue to provide project updates to BOEM on a routine basis. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay conducted joint calls with BOEM starting in May 2023. The lessees and BOEM revised the meeting frequency to every other month in March of 2024. |
| BOEM Marine Debris Awareness Training Compliance 2024 Report Submission | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and BOEM | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will conduct Marine Debris Awareness Training by January 31 of the following year and provide project updates to BOEM as applicable. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. prepared project updates that summarized activities meeting requirements of BMP 3.2 (Training Compliance Report) and submitted to BOEM. |
| BSEE Form 0187 Submission for calendar year 2024 | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and BSEE | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will provide performance measure data on an annual basis. | This engagement was not held in collaboration with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay. |

| Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party(ies) | Follow-up Action/Activities/Outcomes | Coordinated Engagement |
|--|--|---|---|
| Offshore transmission spatial analysis | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long, BOEM, and NCCOS | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will continue to provide lessee input on ongoing transmission spatial analyses to support the offshore transmission spatial analysis modeling project | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay collaborated to provide input to the spatial analysis modeling project. |
| Restated and amended lease | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and BOEM | Revised lease to comport with the Renewable Energy Modernization Rule | This engagement was not held in collaboration with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay. |
| Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Including Environmental NGOs | | | |
| OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. continues to serve on the external advisory board of the WOW project led by Duke University | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and the WOW project team | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to provide project updates as applicable. | This engagement was not held in collaboration with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, but OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay is external advisory board. |
| Offshore wind development activities and effects to the local communities | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, and Brunswick County Shoreline Protection Consortium members | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to provide project updates as applicable. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay coordinated on participating in the event. |
| Participated in the ARFI administered by the North Carolina Utilities | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and North Carolina Utilities. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to provide information, as requested, to the North Carolina Utilities. | This engagement was not held in collaboration with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay. |

| Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party(ies) | Follow-up Action/Activities/Outcomes | Coordinated Engagement |
|--|--|--|---|
| Educational and Research Institutions | | | |
| Collaboration and information flow with the UNCW Department of Environmental Sciences, CMS | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, and Dr. Joni Thomas Osku Backstrom, Assistant Professor, UNCW Department of Environmental Sciences, CMS. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to collaborate and provide project updates and timelines, including possible research opportunities in Carolina Long Bay. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay coordinated to open lines of communication and provide project updates to UNCW Department of Environmental Sciences, CMS. |
| Planning, siting, and permitting improvements for large-scale renewable energy facilities | N.C. Clean Energy Technology Center, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, and other renewable developers. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to collaborate with | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay coordinated on participating in the event. |
| Industry and Trade Associations and Industry Events | | | |
| Information sharing on offshore wind permitting activities in the mid-Atlantic | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, and representatives from other offshore wind developments | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to meet with permitting representatives from other offshore wind developments to share information on offshore wind permitting. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay coordinated on joint engagements with the permitting representatives. |
| Industry trends related to wind resource assessments, leveled cost of energy, and transmission | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and EPRI representatives | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will continue to work with EPRI to address offshore wind-specific research and development needs. | This engagement was not held in collaboration with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay. |

3.2. Identification of Potential Project Effects Related to Parties

Feedback from engaged parties regarding the identification of potential project effects during this reporting period is presented in Table 5, as applicable.

Table 5: Potential effects and input from parties on project design or implementation

| Potential Effect / Input | Affected Party(ies) | Efforts to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation Has Been Informed |
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OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. did not receive feedback on any potential effects from affected parties during this reporting period.

3.3. Feedback from Parties on Transmission Planning

Currently, OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. has no information to share regarding the status or locations of offshore export cable corridors, onshore transmission routes, or onshore substations. When appropriate, engagement activities will focus on notifying potentially affected stakeholders of transmission planning and siting, developing an understanding of their concerns, and mitigating issues in a manner equivalent to the mitigation coordination for survey activities.

3.4. Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement Activities

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. expects to conduct further engagement activities with agencies and fisheries stakeholders to provide updates on project development activities. Engagement will focus on achieving alignment on site assessment activities, when appropriate, understanding potential agency concerns, understanding potential fisheries stakeholder concerns, and mitigating issues.

Table 6 summarizes the engagement activities that OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates will occur in the next reporting period.

Table 6: Anticipated engagement with parties

| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party(ies) | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|---|--|---|
| Anticipated Agency Engagement | | |
| OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates that further engagement will occur through execution of the ACP and, when appropriate, future site assessment activities. Engagement activities will focus on project updates, permits necessary to deploy buoys, met-ocean data collection (including installation of deployment of MOTUS wildlife tracking stations) and survey work activities. | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp., OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay, and applicable interested state and federal agencies | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. will coordinate with OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay with federal and state agencies, virtually, on permitting activities for met-ocean buoy deployment, survey activities, and to provide project updates. |
| OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates that further engagement will occur on benthic habitat assessment data review and methodology. | NCCOS | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will coordinate with NCCOS virtually, as appropriate, on benthic habitat assessment data review and methodology. |
| OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates that further engagement will occur on the offshore transmission spatial analysis modeling project. | NCCOS | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will coordinate with NCCOS virtually, as appropriate, on the offshore transmission spatial analysis modeling project. |

| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party(ies) | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|---|--|---|
| Anticipated Fisheries Engagement | | |
| OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates that further engagement will occur in response to further development and execution of the FCP and future site assessment activities. Engagement activities will focus on identifying potentially affected fishers, mariners, and other ocean users, notifying them of upcoming activities, developing an understanding of their concerns, and mitigating identified potential issues. | Fishers, fisheries stakeholders, mariners, and other ocean users | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay FLOs will coordinate and collaborate with fishers and fisheries stakeholders virtually, as appropriate, and/or in person on survey activities and outcomes. |
| Anticipated Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Including Environmental Non-Governmental Organizations (eNGOs) | | |
| OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates that further engagement will occur with eNGOs on measures to minimize impacts to marine mammals and sea turtles, when appropriate. | eNGOs (Southern Environmental Law Center (SELC) and NRDC) | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will coordinate and collaborate on engagement with eNGOs. |
| Further engagement with the North Carolina Utilities may occur based on the evaluation of the ARFI responses and next steps. | North Carolina Utilities | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay may coordinate on engagement with the North Carolina Utilities, as warranted. |
| Anticipated Communities Engagement | | |
| OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. anticipates engagement will occur on economic opportunities and project benefits, when appropriate. | Communities in the project area | OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. and OCS-A-0545-TotalEnergies Carolina Long Bay will coordinate on the identification of affected communities with an engagement focus on economic opportunities and project benefits. |

4. SURVEY PLAN

OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. did not submit a survey plan or conduct survey activities during the reporting period.

APPENDIX A: TRIBES AND OTHER PARTIES RELEVANT TO THE PROJECT

Table A-1. Federally recognized Tribes relevant to the Project / federally recognized Tribes that have not declined participation in the NATCP process

| Name of Federally Recognized Tribe |
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| Catawba Indian Nation |
| Chickahominy Indian Tribe |
| Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians |
| Monacan Indian Nation |
| Nansemond Indian Nation |
| Pamunkey Indian Tribe |
| Rappahannock Tribe |
| Seminole Tribe of Florida |
| Tuscarora Nation |
| United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma |
| Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe |

Table A-2. Parties relevant to the Project

| Name of Party | Party Type |
|--|------------|
| Federal and State Agencies | |
| <i>Federal Agencies</i> | |
| Bureau of Ocean Energy Management | FA |
| Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement | FA |
| Federal Aviation Administration | FA |
| National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries, Office of Protected Resources | FA |
| National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries, Southeast Regional Office | FA |
| National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration — National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science | FA |

| Name of Party | Party Type |
|---|------------|
| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers — Charleston District | FA |
| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers — Regulatory Division Office, Wilmington District | FA |
| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers — Wilmington District | FA |
| U.S. Coast Guard | FA |
| U.S. Department of Defense, Military Siting Clearinghouse | FA |
| U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 4 | FA |
| U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service — Eastern North Carolina Ecological Services | FA |
| U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service — South Carolina Ecological Services Field Office | FA |
| U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service South Atlantic-Gulf & Mississippi — Basin Ecological Services | FA |
| U.S. National Park Service | FA |
| <i>State Agencies</i> | |
| North Carolina Department of Administration, State Environmental Review Clearinghouse | SA |
| North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality – Division of Coastal Management | SA |
| North Carolina Department of Commerce | SA |
| North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources | SA |
| North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries | SA |
| North Carolina Office of the Governor | SA |
| North Carolina Ports Authority | SA |
| South Carolina Department of Archives and History | SA |
| South Carolina Department of Commerce | SA |
| South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control — Ocean & Coastal Resource Management | SA |
| South Carolina Department of Natural Resources | SA |
| South Carolina Office of the Governor | SA |
| South Carolina Ports Authority | SA |

| Name of Party | Party Type |
|---|------------|
| Native American Tribes | |
| <i>Non-federally Recognized Tribes</i> | |
| Beaver Creek Indians | NFRTribe |
| Chaloklowa Chickasaw Indian People | NFRTribe |
| Coharie Indian Tribe | NFRTribe |
| Eastern Cherokee, Southern Iroquois, and United Tribes of South Carolina | NFRTribe |
| Edisto Natchez-Kusso Tribe of South Carolina | NFRTribe |
| Haliwa-Saponi Tribe | NFRTribe |
| Lower Eastern Cherokee Nation of South Carolina | NFRTribe |
| Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina | NFRTribe |
| Meherrin Indian Tribe | NFRTribe |
| Natchez Tribe of South Carolina | NFRTribe |
| Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation | NFRTribe |
| Pee Dee Indian Nation of Beaver Creek | NFRTribe |
| Pee Dee Indian Nation of Upper South Carolina | NFRTribe |
| Pee Dee Indian Tribe | NFRTribe |
| Piedmont American Indian Association | NFRTribe |
| The Santee Indian Organization | NFRTribe |
| Sappony | NFRTribe |
| Sumter Tribe of Cheraw Indians | NFRTribe |
| Waccamaw Indian People | NFRTribe |
| Waccamaw Siouan | NFRTribe |
| Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians | NFRTribe |
| Coastal Communities | |
| While some communication has begun with coastal communities and local municipalities, additional formal engagement will occur during the next reporting period. | CC |
| Educational and Research Institutions | |
| Carteret Community College | ERI |

| Name of Party | Party Type |
|--|------------|
| Duke University, Marine Geospatial Ecology Lab | ERI |
| Duke University, Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions | ERI |
| North Carolina State University, Center for Environmental and Resource Economic Policy | ERI |
| North Carolina State University, Center for Marine Sciences and Technology | ERI |
| North Carolina State University, Clean Energy Technology Center | ERI |
| North Carolina State University, Sea Grant | ERI |
| South Carolina Institute for Archeology and Anthropology | ERI |
| University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Marine Sciences | ERI |
| University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Institute for the Environment | ERI |
| University of North Carolina at Charlotte | ERI |
| University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Center for Marine Science | ERI |
| Environmental and Public Interest Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) | |
| Genesis Block | NGO |
| Carolina Small Business Development Fund | NGO |
| Natural Resource Defense Council | eNGO |
| North Carolina Coastal Federation | NGO |
| Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative | NGO |
| South Atlantic Fisheries Management Council | eNGO |
| Southeast Coastal Ocean Observing Regional Association | NGO |
| Southern Environmental Law Center | eNGO |
| Industry and Trade Associations | |
| American Clean Power Association | ITA |
| Electric Power Research Institute | ITA |
| International Powers Forum | ITA |
| Southeastern Wind Coalition | ITA |
| Commercial and Recreational Fishing Industries | |
| North Carolina Fisheries Association | CFish |

| Name of Party | Party Type |
|---|------------|
| Mariners and Maritime Industry | |
| Mariners and maritime industry entities (including maritime towing, ports, maritime shipping, etc.) to be potentially affected by project activities have not yet been identified. Once identified, these stakeholders will be added to this section of Appendix A. | M |
| Submarine and Cable Operators | |
| Submarine and Cable Operators to be potentially affected by project activities have not yet been identified. Once identified, these operator groups will be added to this section of Appendix A. | SCO |
| Affected Communities | |
| Communities to be potentially affected by project activities have not yet been identified. Once identified, these communities will be added to this section of Appendix A. | AC |
| Other Ocean Users | |
| Other ocean users to be potentially affected by project activities have not yet been identified. Once identified, these communities will be added to this section of Appendix A. | OU |
| Tribal, State, Federal, or Other Working Group or Forum | |
| Tribal, state, federal, or other working group or forum users to be potentially affected by project activities have not yet been identified. Once identified, these communities will be added to this section of Appendix A. | WG |

* Note that entities identified in this table include Tribes and parties that may be potentially affected by the project activities. This table is not a full and complete list of potentially affected stakeholders, Tribes, and parties. As such, this table will be updated accordingly as additional stakeholders, Tribes, and parties are identified.

Party types included in this table:

CC = Coastal Community

CFish = Commercial Fishery Industry

eNGO = Environmental Non-Governmental Organization

ERI = Educational and Research Institutions

ITA = Industry and Trade Associations

FA = Federal Agency

M = Maritime Industry/Mariners

NFRTribe = Non-federally Recognized Tribe

NGO = Public Interest Non-Governmental Organizations

OU = Other Ocean Users

SA = State Agency

SCO = Submarine Cable Operators

AC = Affected Community,

WG = Tribal, State, Federal, or Other Working Group or Forum

APPENDIX B: LESSEE AND LIAISON CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPENDIX C: COMMUNICATION PLANS

The OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. Carolina Long Bay Project website (<https://www.duke-energy.com/energy-education/How-Energy-Works/Wind-Energy>) went live in August 2023. The website includes links to the Native American Tribes Communication Plan, the Fisheries Communication Plan, and the Agency Communication Plan. The website also includes links to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's website where the OCS-A-0546-Cinergy Corp. Semi-Annual Progress Reports are posted.