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Executive Summary

This Progress Report is prepared in accordance with Invenergy Wind Offshore LLC's (Invenergy; Lessee) Commercial Lease OCS-A 0542 (Lease), which requires that Invenergy submit a Progress Report to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) every six months through the Construction and Operations Plan (COP) approval process. This Progress Report covers the reporting period of November 01, 2023, to April 30, 2024.

For this reporting period, this Progress Report includes Invenergy's progress on development in Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0542 (also called Leading Light Wind; the Project). On January 24, 2024, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities approved the Leading Light Wind 2,400-megawatt Project to receive offshore wind (OSW) Renewal Energy Certificates, advancing New Jersey's progress toward a 100 percent clean energy economy by 2035.

Invenergy continues to focus on offshore and onshore data collection and surveys to characterize the Project area. The Project completed the third benthic survey of the designated Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0542 (Lease Area) in December 2023 and has mobilized the fourth benthic survey in April 2024. Geophysical and geotechnical surveys continue through the Spring of 2024. The 12-month boatbased avian surveys commenced in January 2024.

During this reporting period, Invenergy has continued outreach efforts and requested feedback from Native American Tribes and Tribal Nations (Tribes/Tribal Nations) as well as multiple federal, state, and local agencies, fisheries, and other stakeholders. The Project maintains a designated External Engagement Director along with an Agency Liaison Officer, Tribal Engagement Representative, and Fisheries Liaison Officer to inform external engagement throughout the life of the Project.

Tribal engagement has focused on a collaborative effort amongst the New York Bight Lessees (Lessees) in the development of a joint Native American Tribes Communications Plan (NATCP). The completed joint NATCP was submitted to the Tribes/Tribal Nations and BOEM in October 2023, and updated in February 2024.

Federal, state, and local agency engagement has focused on continued Project communications with relevant agencies, including but not limited to, topics regarding transmission line routing, landfall, survey activities, regulatory requirements, and COP process.

Invenergy's fisheries engagement continues to focus on identifying potential challenges and solutions between the fishing community and OSW development through collaborative communication with fishing community liaisons, industry working groups, and marine research institutions. Additionally, Invenergy continues exploring opportunities to enhance fishing community participation to better inform Project design decisions and operational activities.

Invenergy is actively participating in relevant working groups and subcommittees to proactively identify other stakeholder groups with interest in the Project. Engagement has focused on exploring research partnerships with maritime stakeholders, academic institutions, and non-governmental organizations to advance environmental research and monitoring related to the construction and operations of the Project. Invenergy has participated in discussions with industry experts on the challenges associated with routing, installing, and operating submarine cables. Invenergy remains an active member of the American Clean Power Association and several of their subcommittees, the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative, and the Responsible Offshore Science Alliance that share the goal of collaboration and information sharing to deconflict Project facilities and minimize impacts to resources. Additionally, Invenergy continues to



participate in BOEM's New York and New Jersey OSW Environmental Justice Forum and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's Environmental Justice-Technical Working Group (EJ-TWG), Environmental-TWG, Maritime-TWG, Fisheries-TWG, and Supply Chain-TWG, as well as various industry events related to supply chain, workforce, etc.



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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

| ACP | American Clean Power |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BOEM | Bureau of Ocean Energy Management |
| COP | Construction and Operations Plan |
| ECR | export cable route |
| EJ-TWG | Environmental Justice Technical Working Group |
| EPA | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency |
| F-TWG | Fisheries Technical Working Group |
| G&G | Geophysical and Geotechnical |
| GARFO | Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office |
| Invenergy; Lessee | Invenergy Wind Offshore LLC |
| Lease Area | Lease Area OCS-A 0542 |
| Lessees | Invenergy and the other BOEM Leaseholders in the New York Bight |
| LOI | Letter of Intent |
| M-TWG | Maritime Technical Working Group |
| MAFMC | Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council |
| MW | megawatt |
| NATCP | Native American Tribal Communications Plan |
| NEFSC | NOAA's Northeast Fisheries Science Center |
| NEPA | National Environmental Protection Act |
| NJ3 | New Jersey Third Offshore Wind Solicitation |
| NJBPU | New Jersey Board of Public Utilities |
| NJDEP | New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection |
| NJEDA | New Jersey Economic Development Authority |
| NJMEP | New Jersey Manufacturing Extension Program |
| NOAA | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration |
| NOAA Fisheries | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service |
| NYSERDA | New York State Energy Research and Development Authority |
| OCS | Outer Continental Self |
| OSW | Offshore Wind |
| PEIS | Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement |
| Project; Leading Light Wind | the Project in Lease Area OCS-A 0542 and surrounding waters |
| ROSA | Responsible Offshore Science Alliance |
| SCEMFIS | Science Center for Marine Fisheries |
| Tribes/Tribal Nations | Native American Tribes and Tribal Nations |
| U.S. | United States |



| USACE | United States Army Corps of Engineers |
|-------|-----------------------------------------|
| USCG | United States Coast Guard |
| USFWS | United States Fish and Wildlife Service |
| WTG | wind turbine generator |

1. Purpose and Background

1.1. Purpose

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) released the *Draft Guidelines and Instructions for Progress Report Required by BOEM New York Bight (OCS-A 0537-0544) and Carolina Long Bay (OCS-A 0545-0546) Leases* in April 2023. This Progress Report is prepared in observance of the BOEM draft guidelines and in accordance with Commercial Lease OCS-A 0542, which requires that Invenergy Wind Offshore LLC (Invenergy; Lessee) submit a Progress Report to BOEM every six months through the Construction and Operations Plan (COP) approval process. This Progress Report covers the reporting period of **November 01, 2023** to **April 30, 2024**. As required by Addendum C, Section 3.1.1 of the Lease, this Progress Report documents overall Project progress and engagement activities undertaken with agencies, Native American Tribes and Tribal Nations (Tribes/Tribal Nations), communities, ocean user groups, and the public over the reporting period and plans for continued engagement.

1.2. Lessee Information

As lead developer, Invenergy is developing the Project in Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0542 (also called Leading Light Wind; the Project) with co-developer energyRe. Invenergy and its affiliates have successfully developed more than 31 gigawatts of projects that are in operation, construction, or contracted. This includes more than 890 megawatts (MW) of wind, solar, and advanced energy storage projects in New York and over 4,600 MW of wind, solar, natural gas, and advanced energy storage projects in the PJM Interconnection LLC market. Invenergy has three regional corporate offices and has maintained a Project website to inform interested parties and the general public about the Project and provide relevant updates as it progresses (https://leadinglightwind.com/). In addition, energyRe is an independent New York-based company focused on solving complex challenges and providing clean energy solutions. The team at energyRe has expertise in infrastructure, engineering, and development.

1.3. Lease Description

Invenergy executed Commercial Lease OCS-A 0542 in the New York Bight in April 2022. Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0542 (Lease Area) is located 64 kilometers (40 miles) east of Atlantic City, New Jersey, and 129 kilometers (80 miles) south of Long Island, New York, and encompasses approximately 84,000 acres of the United States (U.S.) Outer Continental Shelf (OCS). The Project will be located within the Lease Area with offshore export cable corridors in surrounding waters. Figure 1 shows the Project Lease Area and other active lease areas in the vicinity. The Lease Area has a low gradient slope with water depths ranging between approximately 32 and 54 meters (104 and 177 feet). Further information on the Lease Area and offshore waters is detailed in the Leading Light Wind Geophysical and Geotechnical Survey Plan for OCS-A-0542, revision four submitted to BOEM in April 2024.

The Project will include wind turbine generators (WTGs) in the Lease Area interconnected with electrical cables, foundations for the WTGs, one or two converter/transformer platforms, and export cables connecting to the onshore electrical grid. In January 2024, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) awarded the Project with a contract to deliver 2,400 MW that would power over 1,000,000 homes annually in New Jersey.



Figure 1. Leading Light Wind, Lease Area OCS-A 0542 and Other Active BOEM Lease Areas

2. Tribal Engagement

This section provides a summary of Invenergy's engagement activities with Tribes/Tribal Nations as described in the Commercial Lease OCS-A 0542. Below is a list of applicable federally recognized Tribes/Tribal Nations identified for engagement in Section 5.3.3 of Commercial Lease OCS-A 0542 (Appendix A).

- Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma,
- Delaware Tribe of Indians,
- Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma,
- Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation,
- Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe,
- Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut,
- Shawnee Tribe,
- Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians,
- The Delaware Nation,
- The Narragansett Indian Tribe,



- The Shinnecock Indian Nation, and
- Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah).

In July 2022, BOEM contacted Invenergy and the other New York Bight Lessees (Lessees) to inform parties that BOEM's requirement for each lessee to hold a meeting with the Tribes/Tribal Nations within 120 days of lease execution could be overly burdensome to the Tribes/Tribal Nations. In the spirit of reducing stakeholder burden and coordinating engagement, BOEM facilitated a meeting with all Lessees and Tribes/Tribal Nations to discuss developments in the New York Bight, communication best practices, and the development/refinement of communication plans. BOEM waived the 120-day deadline associated with Lease Stipulation 3.1.2.2 of Addendum C of leases OCS-A 0537-0544 (such as, requirement for a Native American Tribal Communications Plan [NATCP]).

BOEM released the *Draft Guidelines and Instructions for Native American Tribes Communications Plan Development Required by BOEM New York Bight Leases (OCS-A 0537-0544) and Carolina Long Bay Leases (OCS-A 0545-0546)* in February 2023. The draft guidelines required the six Lessees to coordinate on developing a Joint NATCP. Invenergy collaborated with Bluepoint Wind, LLC (Lease OCS-A 0537), Attentive Energy, LLC (Lease OCS-A 0538), Community Offshore Wind, LLC (Lease OCS-A 0539), Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind, LLC (Lease OCS-A 0541), and Vineyard Mid-Atlantic, LLC (Lease OCS-A 0544) to submit a final Joint NATCP to the Tribes/Tribal Nations and BOEM on October 16, 2023. An updated version of the Joint NATCP was submitted in February 2024. The New York Bight Joint NATCP Communication Plan is posted to the Project website¹ (Appendix C).

2.1. Overall Tribal Engagement Progress Since Last Report

Under the direction of its Tribal Engagement Representative (Appendix B), Invenergy engaged in continued coordination with all identified federally recognized Tribes/Tribal Nations. Tribal engagement has focused primarily on information sharing regarding the finalization and submission of the Joint NATCP. Table 1 includes a summary of engagement activities conducted with Tribes/Tribal Nations during the reporting period.

| Date | Tribes/Tribal Nations | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 01/16/2024 | All | Email sent to Tribes/Tribal Nations to notify of submission of final Joint NATCP | Information sharing |

| Table 1. | Tribal Engagement During Reporting Period |
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¹ <u>https://leadinglightwind.com/documents</u>



| Date | Tribes/Tribal Nations | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 04/12/2024 | All | Certified letter sent to each Tribes/Tribal Nations to provide a short Project update and invite them to participate in a meeting on May 22 and/or 23, 2024 to discuss environmental surveys, geoarchaeological core selection, share objectives for 2024 meetings, and address the need for Tribal capacity support. | Meetings to be held on May 22 and 23, 2024 |

2.2. Identification of Potential Project Effects Related to Tribal Interests

Table 2 includes a summary of potential effects related to Tribal interests and Tribes/Tribal Nations input on Project design or implementation during the reporting period.

Table 2.Potential Effects and Tribal Input on Project Design or Implementation During
Reporting Period

| Potential Effect | Affected Tribes/Tribal Nations | Effort to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation has been Informed |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Potential impacts of construction to Native American archaeological sites | All | Invenergy will continue to engage with the Tribes/Tribal Nations as construction plans and designs of facilities advance. |
| Potential impacts to possible paleoarchaeological landforms | All | Invenergy will continue to engage with the Tribes/Tribal Nations as geoarchaeological survey and coring process activities advance. |

| Potential Effect | Affected Tribes/Tribal Nations | Effort to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation has been Informed |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Potential impacts of construction to Native American historic properties | All | Invenergy will engage with Tribes/Tribals Nations and BOEM throughout the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) review of the COP, NEPA public scoping, and the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Process |
| Overall inefficiency of sharing information between Tribes/Tribal Nations/BOEM/Lessees | Delaware Tribe of Indians | Invenergy will engage with Tribes/Tribal Nations, Lessees, and BOEM to identify opportunities for better information sharing. Joint NATCP offers methods for further engaging with Tribes/Tribal Nations on this issue |
| One-half mile study radius for terrestrial archaeological background research is insufficient and at least two miles should be considered | Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe | Invenergy will engage with the Tribes/Tribal Nations as plans/designs for archaeological studies of such areas are refined and advanced |

2.3. Tribal Feedback on Transmission Planning

No engagement was conducted with the Tribes/Tribal Nations on transmission planning during this reporting period. On January 24, 2024, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities approved the Leading Light Wind 2,400-megawatt Project to receive OSW Renewal Energy Certificates allowing transmission routing for the project to move forward in full to include Tribal engagement. Invenergy will continue to engage with Tribes/Tribal Nations on transmission planning as well as the geoarchaeological survey and coring process as the Project's construction plans and designs of facilities advance and become more refined. With the completion of the Joint NATCP, Invenergy and the Tribes/Tribal Nations have a framework for future engagements.

2.4. Anticipated or Scheduled Tribal Engagement Activities

Table 3 includes a summary of anticipated or scheduled engagement activities to be conducted with Tribes/Tribal Nations during the next reporting period (May 01, 2024, to October 31, 2024).

| Table 3. | Anticipated Tribal Engagement | Activities for the Next Reporting Period |
|----------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
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| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Tribes/Tribal Nations | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Geophysical and Geotechnical | All | None; this meeting will be Project-specific |
| Survey Information Sharing and | | and during Invenergy's development |
| Geoarchaeological Core Selection | | timeline at a mutually agreeable time |

| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Tribes/Tribal Nations | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Detailed Project Update: 2023 retrospective, New Jersey award, Tribal capacity funding | All | None. This meeting will be Project-specific and during Invenergy's survey timeline at a mutually agreeable time |
| Core processing observations | All | None. This meeting will be Project-specific and during Invenergy's development timeline at a mutually agreeable time |
| Outreach to Tribes/Tribal Nations to discuss their expressed issues and priorities | All | Various. Lessees, together and individually, may reach out to Tribes/Tribal Nations to discuss issues they have expressed at prior engagements, to identify priorities, and to discuss potential options, approaches, and solutions |

3. Engagement with Potentially Affected Parties

Invenergy has continued outreach with Potentially Affected Parties, including federal, state, and local agencies, fisheries, and other stakeholder groups. Invenergy maintains a designated Agency Liaison Officer (Appendix B) for the Project. The Project's Agency Communication Plan was submitted to BOEM in August 2022, and revised by Invenergy in March 2023. Additionally, Invenergy maintains a designated Fisheries Liaison Officer (Appendix B) for the Project. The Project's Fisheries Communication Plan was revised by Invenergy in March 2023. The Agency Communication Plan and Fisheries Communication Plan are posted to the Project website² (Appendix C). In April 2024, Invenergy hired a Director of Marine Affairs who will assist with federal, state, local agency engagement, and fisheries.

3.1. Overall Engagement Progress with Potentially Affected Parties Since Last Report

3.1.1. Summary of Federal Agency Engagement Activities

Invenergy has continued engagement with federal agencies on a variety of topics including cable and transmission line routing; benthic, geophysical, and geotechnical survey campaigns; National Historic Preservation Act Section 106; unexploded ordnances; wind turbine generator (WTG) positioning; avian survey plan; areas of concern to specific agencies; natural resources; Joint NATCP; and BOEM's New York Bight programmatic environmental impact statement (PEIS). On March 13, 2024, Invenergy submitted a comment letter to BOEM on the New York Bight Draft PEIS.

Table 4 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with federal agencies during the reporting period.

² <u>https://leadinglightwind.com/documents</u>



| Date | Federal Agency | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 11/06/2023 | BOEM | Emailed submission of bi-annual Progress Report documenting overall Project progress, engagement activities with stakeholders and plans for continued engagement | Report submission, continued coordination |
| 11/06/2023 | BOEM | Visual impacts follow-up meeting | Continued coordination on New York Bight PEIS |
| 11/08/2023 | BOEM | Attended and sponsored the New York and New Jersey Environmental Justice Forum | Sponsored, continued coordination |
| 11/14/2023 | United States Coast Guard (USCG) | Attended Maritime Risk Symposium | Sponsored, continued coordination |
| 11/15/2023 | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Northeast Fisheries Science Center | Pilot Hook-and-Line Survey Workshop Series to discuss federal mitigation strategies for commercial and recreational fishermen | Continued coordination of pilot survey |
| 12/21/2023 | USCG | Joint Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind and USCG call about District 5 Wind Power Conference planning and the potential for unified layouts | Continued coordination, standing monthly calls |
| 12/29/2023 | BOEM | Email regarding the 508-compliant bi- annual progress report for submission covering the period of May 1, 2023, through October 31, 2023 | Report submission, continued coordination |
| 01/23/2024 | USCG | Discussed OSW industry topics at USCG District 5 Conference in Portsmouth, VA | Continued coordination |
| 01/24/2024 | BOEM | Attended New York and New Jersey Environmental Justice Forum | Continued coordination |
| 02/05/2024 | NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) | Mid-Atlantic Cooperative Research Summit | Continued coordination |

Table 4. Engagement Activities with Federal Agencies During the Reporting Period



| Date | Federal Agency | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 02/12/2024 | United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) | Attended EPA's Green Routes: A Goods Movement Listening Session | Continued coordination |
| 02/21/2024 | BOEM | Discussed questions and feedback regarding the New York Bight PEIS environmental justice measures | Continued coordination |
| 03/21/2024 | USCG District 5 | Joint Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind and USCG call to discuss micro siting limits for offshore substation platforms within gridded layout | Continued coordination, monthly standing calls |
| 04/18/2024 | NOAA Fisheries | Discussed potential research interests | Continued coordination |

Note: Stakeholder engagements inclusive of both federal and state agencies are included as part of the Project's Federal Agency Engagement Activities

3.1.2. Summary of State Agency Engagement Activities

Invenergy has continued engagement with state agencies, primarily focused on historic resources, terrestrial routing, and submarine routing. Table 5 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with state agencies during the reporting period.

| Date | State Agency | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 01/10/2024 | New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) | Attended NYSERDA Offshore Wind Open House | Continued coordination |
| 01/11/2024 | New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) | Hosted table at NJEDA/NYSERDA Supplier Forum | Continued coordination |
| 02/22/2024 | NJBPU | NJPBU Third Offshore Wind Solicitation (NJ3) Monthly Coordination Meeting | Continued coordination |



| Date | State Agency | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 03/07/2024 | NJEDA | NJ3 Monthly Coordination Meeting | Continued coordination |
| 03/21/2024 | NJBPU | NJ3 Monthly Coordination Meeting | Continued coordination |
| 03/27/2024 | New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) | Discussed permit modification necessary to support planned geotechnical activities | Continued coordination |
| 04/03/2024 | NJDEP | Post award kick-off with Commissioner and staff | Continued coordination |
| 04/08/2024 | NJEDA | Discussion of NJ3 award next steps | Continued coordination |
| 04/12/2024 | NJEDA | Attended and hosted a table at 2024 Wind Institute Research Symposium | Continued coordination |
| 04/19/2024 | NJBPU | NJ3 Monthly Coordination Meeting | Continued coordination |

3.1.3. Summary of Local Agency Engagement Activities

Invenergy has continued engagement with local agencies, primarily focused on facilitating economic outreach opportunities within the OSW industry. Table 6 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with local agencies during the reporting period.

| Table 6. | Engagement Activities with L | ocal Agencies During | the Reporting Period |
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| Date | Local Agency | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 01/04/2024 | New York City Economic Development Corporation | Discussed reinstatement of Waterfront Pathways proposal | Continued coordination |
| 04/18/2024 | New York City Economic Development Corporation | Attended and tabled at the Offshore Wind & Maritime Career Awareness Fair | Continued coordination |



3.1.4. Summary of Fisheries Engagement Activities

During the reporting period, Invenergy has continued conversations with the fishing community to garner feedback on fisheries-related questions and concerns pertaining to OSW development. The Fisheries Communication Team provides regular Mariner Updates to fisheries stakeholders notifying them of ongoing and planned development activities. The Fisheries Liaison Officer conducts regular dock visits to disseminate information on development activities and garner feedback. These conversations have resulted in decreasing the potential for conflicts between fishing activities and survey operations.

In February 2024, the Project contracted Beth Casoni from the Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association as a formal Fisheries Industry Representative representing commercial fixed gear fisheries. Invenergy is actively engaged in conversations with other commercial and recreational fisheries communities regarding potential involvement as Fisheries Industry Representatives for their respective sector(s). Additionally, Invenergy has contracted regional fishing industry members to act as Offshore Fisheries Liaison Representatives and/or provide scout vessel services, ensuring timely and effective communication with fisheries users proximal to survey activities.

Invenergy continues to pursue partnership opportunities with fishing industry members and associations, as well as research and academic institutions to advance fisheries-related research and fishing community enhancement opportunities. Invenergy will continue to prioritize sourcing support from regional fishing community members for future Project activities. Table 7 provides a summary of fisheries engagement activities conducted during the reporting period.

| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 11/03/2023 | American Clean Power (ACP) New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group to coordinate effective fisheries engagement strategies | Continued coordination |
| 11/06/2023 | ACP Fisheries Subcommittee | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP Fisheries Subcommittee to review and address offshore wind-related fisheries engagement strategies and concerns | Continued coordination |
| 11/14/2023- 11/15/2023 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear), Commercial Fishers (mobile gear), Commercial Fishers (surfclam, clam, ocean quahog dredge), Recreational Fishers, Sea Risk Solutions, | Dock visits to Cape May, Sea Isle, Atlantic City, Barnegat Light, and Point Pleasant to disseminate information about seabed characterization surveys, discuss opportunities for participation in offshore wind development activities, and garner feedback about concerns related to OSW | Continued coordination |

Table 7. Fisheries Engagement Activities During Reporting Period



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 11/16/2023 | American Fisheries Society: Mid-Atlantic Chapter | 2023 Mid-Atlantic Chapter of American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting | Continued coordination |
| 11/17/2023 | ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group to coordinate effective fisheries engagement strategies, with the goal to alleviate outreach strain on fishing communities in the New York Bight | Continued coordination, including planning future events and opportunities for collaborative exploration |
| 11/20/2023 | ACP Fisheries Subcommittee | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP Fisheries Subcommittee to review and address offshore wind-related fisheries engagement strategies and concerns | Continued coordination |
| 11/22/2023 | Commercial Fishers (general) | Notified fishermen of benthic survey plans to survey nearshore New Jersey export cable routes | Continued coordination |
| 11/30/2023 | Commercial Fisher (fixed gear) | Discussed interest regarding the Project's Fisheries Accelerator Fund | Continued coordination |
| 11/30/2023 | Cornell Cooperative Extension | Discussion regarding accessibility to local/domestic seafood products | Continued coordination |
| 12/01/2023 | ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group to coordinate effective fisheries engagement strategies, aiming to alleviate outreach strain on fishing communities in the New York Bight | Continued coordination |
| 12/04/2023 | ACP Fisheries Subcommittee | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP Fisheries Subcommittee to review and address offshore wind-related fisheries engagement strategies and concerns | Continued coordination |
| 12/07/2023 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear) | Discuss any potential issues with ongoing or past seabed characterization survey | Continued coordination |
| 12/07/2023 | Equinor | Discussed fisheries considerations for survey timing | Utilized feedback to inform survey activity; continued coordination |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 12/07/2023 | Commercial Fisher (mobile/general) | Discussed fisheries considerations for survey timing | Utilized feedback to inform survey activity; continued coordination |
| 12/07/2023 | Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind | Discussed fisheries considerations for survey timing | Utilized feedback to inform survey activity; continued coordination |
| 12/07/2023 | Vineyard Mid-Atlantic | Discussed fisheries considerations for survey timing and recreational fisheries representation for OSW | Utilized feedback to inform survey activity; continued coordination |
| 12/08/2023 | Commercial Fisher (fixed gear) | Discussed fisheries considerations for survey timing | Utilized feedback to inform survey activity; continued coordination |
| 12/08/2023 | Community Offshore Wind | Discussed fisheries considerations for survey timing and upcoming Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council (MAFMC) Meeting | Utilized feedback to inform survey activity; continued coordination; Community Offshore Wind to introduce the Project's Fisheries Liaison Officer at upcoming MAFMC meeting |
| 12/12/2023 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear) | Discussed fisheries considerations for survey timing | Utilized feedback to inform survey activity |
| 12/13/2023 | American Scallop Association, Community Offshore Wind, East Coast Seafood Group, Lund's Fisheries Inc., MAFMC, Responsible Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA), Seafreeze Ltd. | Attended MAFMC to stay informed on regional fisheries issues and regulations | Continued coordination |



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| 12/15/2023 | ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group to coordinate effective fisheries engagement strategies, aiming to alleviate outreach strain on fishing communities in the New York Bight | Continued coordination |
| 12/18/2023 | Atlantic Shores, Offshore Wind, Attentive Energy, Avangrid Renewables, Community Offshore Wind, Equinor, ROSA | Attended ROSA Monitoring Plan Coordination Meeting to provide feedback into the development of a regional fisheries monitoring strategy | Continued coordination |
| 12/18/2023 | ACP Fisheries Subcommittee | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP Fisheries Subcommittee to review and address offshore wind-related fisheries engagement strategies and concerns | Continued coordination |
| 12/18/2023 | Cornell Cooperative Extension | Discussed partnership and funding opportunities with the Cornell Cooperative Extension Local F.I.S.H. Initiative | Continued coordination |
| 01/09/2024 | Association of New Jersey Department of Environmental Commissions | Discussed NJ3 and potential partnerships | Continued coordination |
| 01/11/2024 | Commercial Fisher (scallop dredge, mobile/general) | Discuss opportunities for fisheries input and contracting a scallop fisheries representative | Continued coordination |
| 01/11/2024 | Cornell Cooperative Extension | Discussion of next steps in potential partnership | Continued coordination |
| 01/12/2024 | Atlantic Marine Conservation Society | Discussed potential partnerships | Continued coordination |
| 01/16/2024 | ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group to coordinate effective fisheries engagement strategies, with goal to alleviate outreach strain on fishing communities in the New York Bight | Continued coordination |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
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| 01/22/2024 | NYSERDA Maritime Technical Working Group (M-TWG) | Discussed state updates, New York City public policy transmission need process, and priorities for 2024 | Continued coordination |
| 01/26/2024 | ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group to coordinate effective fisheries engagement strategies, with goal to alleviate outreach strain on fishing communities in the New York Bight | Continued coordination |
| 01/29/2024 | ACP Fisheries Subcommittee | Bi-weekly meeting with ACP Fisheries Subcommittee to review and address offshore wind-related fisheries engagement strategies and concerns | Continued coordination |
| 02/06/2024- 02/07/2024 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear), Commercial Fishers (mobile/general; trawl/dragger), Commercial Fishers (scallop; surfclam, clam, ocean quahog dredge), Recreational Fisheries (private; for-hire) | Dock visits to Atlantic City, Cape May, Barnegat Light, West Long Branch, and Point Pleasant which informed fishermen of the Project's contract with New Jersey, raised awareness about Fisheries Accelerator Fund, and disseminated information about upcoming seabed characterization surveys | Continued coordination |
| 02/15/2024 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear) | Discussed Fisheries Accelerator Fund with fixed gear fishermen | Continued coordination |
| 02/16/2024 | Cornell Cooperative Extension | Attended Cornell Cooperative Extension Seafood Summit | Continued coordination |
| 03/15/2024 | Saltwater Fishing Expo | Disseminated information about Project activities (including procurement of New Jersey contract) and solicited feedback regarding Project concerns and mitigation strategies | Continued coordination; expand conversations with recreational fishing community |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
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| 03/29/2024 | ACP, BOEM, Commercial Fisheries Center of Rhode Island, Long Island Commercial Fishing Association, Lund's Fisheries Inc., New York Bight Fisheries Working Group, NYSERDA, Rutgers University, Surfside Foods Products LLC | NYSERDA Fisheries Technical Working Group (F-TWG) meeting to provide updates on state and federal offshore wind activity, upcoming solicitations, and committee priorities for 2024 | Continued coordination |
| 03/29/2024 | Rutgers University Center for Ocean Observing Leadership | Discuss NJ3 partnership | Continued coordination |
| 04/01/2024 | Commercial Fishers (Fixed gear; trawl/dragger) | Update local fishers on Project survey activities | Continued coordination |
| 04/03/2024 | Fugro | Inform survey team members of Project fisheries communications, considerations for shared fisheries users of the tentative survey area, and fisheries considerations for avoiding, mitigating, and minimizing potential negative interactions with fisheries | Survey team members were informed of fisheries considerations and agreed to engage in frequent communication with onshore fisheries team members to avoid interactions with fisheries users |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
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| 04/03/2024 - 04/05/2024 | Atlantic Capes Fisheries Inc., Community Offshore Wind, Rutgers Haskin Shellfish Research Laboratory, Rutgers University, Science Center for Marine Fisheries (SCEMFIS), Sea Watch International Ltd., Surfside Foods Products LLC, Lund's Fisheries Inc., University of Mississippi, Virginia Institute of Marine Science | Spring 2024 Industry Advisory Board meeting for the Science Center for Marine Fisheries to learn about ongoing research and collaborative opportunities with the fishing industry, particularly scallop and clam, and discussing potential membership benefits from joining SCEMFIS as a board member | Consider joining advisory board and follow up with several board members about potential collaborative opportunities |
| 04/05/2024 | Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind, Attentive Energy, BOEM, Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind, Commercial Project, Community Offshore Wind, Equinor, Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC), NOAA, Ørsted, Vineyard Mid-Atlantic | Report on progress on addressing actions the group identified to advance a regional federal survey mitigation approach | Incorporate actionable feedback as measures in NOAA Fisheries/Lessee Survey Mitigation Agreements as per Lessee COP requirements |
| 04/08/2024 | Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association | Monthly meeting with fixed gear Fisheries Representative (Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association) to discuss feedback from fisheries stakeholders pertaining to Project development and appropriate mitigation strategies | Continued coordination |
| 04/08/2024 | ACP Fisheries Subcommittee | Review and address OSW-related fisheries engagement strategies and concerns | Continued coordination |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
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| 04/09/2024 | GARFO, MAFMC, NEFSC, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution | Attendance at Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council to listen in on OSW-related fisheries topics | Continued coordination |
| 04/10/2024 | Recreational Fisheries (private; for-hire) | Meetings with fishermen interested in participating with Project planning and development activities | Continued coordination |
| 04/19/2024 | ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | Monthly meeting with ACP New York Bight Fisheries Working Group to coordinate effective fisheries engagement strategies, with goal to alleviate outreach strain on fishing communities in the New York Bight | Continued coordination |
| 04/22/2024 | ACP Fisheries Subcommittee | Review and address offshore wind- related fisheries engagement strategies and concerns | Continued coordination |
| 4/23/2024 - 4/24/2024 | Commercial fishers (fixed gear), Commercial fishers (scallop, trawl), Recreational Fisheries (private; for-hire) | Dock visits to Atlantic City, Point Pleasant, and Belford to disseminate information about Project development activity and solicit feedback; garner feedback on Fisheries Accelerator Fund; discuss potential collaboration opportunities and mitigation strategies | Continued coordination |
| 4/26/2024 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear) | Disseminate information about ongoing and upcoming survey activities, solicit feedback, and discuss fisheries mitigation strategies. | Utilized feedback to inform fisheries mitigation strategy for survey activities |
| 4/29/2024 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear) | Disseminate information about ongoing and upcoming survey activities, solicit feedback, and discuss fisheries mitigation strategies. | Utilized feedback to inform fisheries mitigation strategy for survey activities |
| 4/30/2024 | Commercial Fishers (fixed gear) | Disseminate information about ongoing and upcoming survey activities, solicit feedback, and discuss fisheries mitigation strategies. | Utilized feedback to inform fisheries mitigation strategy for survey activities |



3.1.5. Summary of Other Engagement Activities

During this reporting period, Invenergy continued to explore partnerships with academic institutions and non-governmental organizations to advance environmental research and monitoring in key thematic areas including commercial fisheries, biological resources (i.e., marine mammals, avian/bat, fishes), economic development, workforce opportunities, technological advancements, and education. Invenergy will continue these efforts to identify and evaluate potential partnership opportunities. Table 8 provides a summary of engagement activities conducted with other stakeholders.

| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes | |
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| 11/02/2023 | Jersey Renews | Sponsor at industry event "Time for Turbines 6" | Sponsored, continued coordination | |
| 11/09/2023 | Rutgers University | Attended Rutgers Wind of Change Event | Continued coordination | |
| 11/13/2023 | New Jersey Manufacturing Extension Program (NJMEP) | Discussed NJMEP partnership and the Project's supply chain consulting next steps | Continued coordination | |
| 11/14/2023 | Brooklyn STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art Math) Center Dockside Vessel Tour | FUGRO and Brooklyn STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art Math) Center Dockside Vessel Tour | Continued coordination | |
| 11/15/2023 | New Jersey League of Conservation Voters | Sponsored the New Jersey League of Conservation Voters reception at League of Municipalities conference | Continued coordination | |
| 11/17/2023 | Rutgers University | Discussion of potential partnerships between the Project and Rutgers University | Continued coordination | |
| 11/27/2023 | Soulful Synergy | Introductions between the Project and Soulful Synergy and briefing on NJ3 bid | Continued coordination | |
| 11/27/2023 | Liberty Science Center | Provided Project updates, discussed future events, and identified areas of potential engagement | Continued coordination | |
| 11/27/2023 | American Littoral Society | Discussed NJ3 bid and coordinate upcoming volunteer event. | Continued coordination | |

Table 8. Engagement Activities with Other Stakeholders During the Reporting Period



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 11/29/2023 | Laborers (LIUNA) Local 472 | Discussed potential partnership | Continued coordination |
| 11/29/2023 | New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners, MRV Group | Attended New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners Lunch & Learn | Continued coordination |
| 11/30/2023 | Work Environmental Council | Attended 2023 Awards Dinner and Ceremony | Sponsored, continued coordination |
| 12/04/2023 | New Jersey Institute of Technology | Attended New Jersey OSW Technology Conference and Exhibition as sponsor and exhibitor | Sponsored, continued coordination |
| 12/04/2023 | Make the Road New Jersey | Briefing on NJ3 bid | Continued coordination |
| 12/04/2023 | Regional Plan Association | Briefing on NJ3 bid | Continued coordination |
| 12/05/2023 | Gotham Whale | Discussed future outreach opportunities | Discussed future outreach opportunities |
| 12/05/2023 | National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium | Attended annual National Offshore Wind Research and Development Symposium | Continued coordination |
| 12/06/2023 | Hudson County Community College | Hudson County Community College Construction Management Program Classroom Visit | Continued coordination |
| 12/12/2023 | Soulful Synergy | Planning meeting for NYSERDA grant proposal | Continued coordination |
| 12/12/2023 | NYSERDA Environmental Justice Technical Working Group (EJ- TWG) | Offshore Wind Environmental Justice Technical Working Group Meeting | Continued coordination |
| 12/13/2023 | Newark School of Data Science and Information Technology | Presented for WiFi Wednesday on Offshore Wind Career Opportunities and Pathways | Continued coordination |
| 12/13/2023 | African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey | African American Chamber of Commerce New Jersey's 2023 Annual Meeting | Continued coordination |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 12/15/2023 | Southern New Jersey Development Corporation | Southern New Jersey Development Council's Holiday Luncheon | Sponsored, continued coordination |
| 12/18/2023 | Soulful Synergy | Presented at classroom visit to Soulful Synergy's Offshore Wind Workforce Program | Continued coordination |
| 12/19/2023 | Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey | Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey op-ed and 2024 planning discussion | Draft Continued coordination |
| 12/20/2023 | Soulful Synergy, New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance | Attended NJEDA Offshore Wind Training Program Graduation | Continued coordination |
| 12/21/2023 | Brooklyn Navy Yard | Discussed potential partnership with Brooklyn Navy Yard | Continued coordination |
| 01/08/2024 | Sierra Club – Atlantic Chapter | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 01/09/2024 | Partnership for the Delaware Estuary | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 01/10/2024 | Sustainable Jersey | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 01/10/2024 | National Wildlife Federation | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 01/10/2024 | City University of New York | Discussion of partnerships City University of New York Offshore Wind Advisory Network | Continued coordination |
| 01/10/2024 | We Act for Environmental Justice | Discussion of potential partnership | Continued coordination |
| 01/12/2024 | Rutgers University | Hosted table at Rutgers New Brunswick and New Jersey Academic Alliance for Offshore Wind | Continued coordination |
| 01/16/2024 | GreenFaith | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 01/17/2024 | Environmental Advocates of New York | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes | |
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| 01/19/2024 | Ørsted | Discussion of New Jersey workforce synergies | Continued coordination | |
| 01/20/2024 | Surfrider Foundation | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination | |
| 01/24/2023 | KidWind | KidWind Advisory Board Meeting | Continued coordination | |
| 02/01/2024 | NJMEP | Attended event hosted New Jersey Defense Manufacturing Community Consortium, NJMEP, and Picatinny Arsenal Representatives | Continued coordination | |
| 02/02/2024 | Rowan College | Discussion of workforce partnerships | Continued coordination | |
| 02/05/2024 | KidWind | Discussion of collaboration ideas for 2024 | Continued coordination | |
| 02/08/2024 | Regional Plan Association | Discussion of ports | Continued coordination | |
| 02/15/2024 | Atlantic City Representative | Discussion of opportunities in Atlantic City | Continued coordination | |
| 02/21/2024 | Rowan University | Spoke at Rowan University OSW Conference | Continued coordination | |
| 02/29/2024 | Regional Plan Association | Attended Regional Plan Association New Jersey Reception | Continued coordination | |
| 03/01/2024 | Marine Mammal Council | Met with the Marine Mammal Council to discuss potential research partnerships | Continued coordination | |
| 03/12/2024 | Partnership for the Delaware Estuary | Sponsored and tabled at the Environmental Justice Gathering with Partnership for the Delaware Estuary | Sponsored, continued coordination | |
| 03/21/2024 | Local Content/MRV Group | New Jersey Clean Energy Local Content Day | Continued coordination | |
| 03/26/2024 | New Jersey Chamber of Commerce | Sponsored and attended the Renew Jersey Business Summit and Expo. Discussed Invenergy's portfolio, the Project, and industry topics with various New Jersey legislators | Sponsored | |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
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| 03/27/2024 | Attentive Energy | Met with Attentive Energy to discuss our partnerships in Paulsboro and coordinate on community and economic development | Continued coordination |
| 03/27/2024 | Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation | Children's Environmental Literacy Fund partnership updates and next steps post-award | Continued coordination |
| 03/28/2024 | Offshore Wind New Jersey | Project introduction to Coalition of New Jersey Offshore Wind Advocates | Continued coordination |
| 03/29/2024 | Habitat for Humanity Greater Newark | Sponsored Volunteer Event with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newark | Sponsored |
| 04/01/2024 | New Jersey Sustainable Business Council | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 04/02/2024 | NYSERDA EJ-TWG | NYSERDA EJ-TWG Meeting with discussion of Master Plan 2.0 study of effects of OSW on disadvantaged communities | Continued coordination |
| 04/04/2024 | Jersey Shore Chamber of Commerce | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 04/08/2024 | New Jersey Alliance for Action | Discuss upcoming offshore wind conference | Continued coordination |
| 04/09/2024 | New Jersey State Veterans Chamber of Commerce | Project introduction and identify opportunities for collaboration | Continued coordination |
| 04/10/2024 | New Jersey Chamber of Commerce | Attended business roundtable event with NJBPU and NJDEP | Continued coordination |
| 04/12/2024 | Urban Land Institute | Presented at Urban Land Institute Resilience Summit | Continued coordination |
| 04/16/2024 | KidWind | Presented keynote at STEM League Challenge Event at Pascack Valley High School and helped judge student competition | Continued coordination |
| 04/17/2024 | Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation | Attended Childrens Environmental Literacy Fund Student Symposium | Continued coordination |



| Date | Stakeholder(s) | Focus of Discussion or Engagement and Meeting Objective(s) | Follow-up Actions, Activities, Outcomes |
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| 04/17/2024 | Chamber of Commerce South New Jersey | Sponsored and attended the Chamber of Commerce South New Jersey Annual Legislative Reception honoring the South Jersey delegation | Sponsored, continued coordination |
| 04/17/2024 | African American Chamber of New Jersey | Attended the State of the Black Economy of New Jersey event | Continued coordination |
| 04/22/2024 | Oceantic | Attended International Partnering Forum Conference | Continued coordination |
| 04/23/2024 | Fugro, Boys and Girls Club of Monmouth County | Attended and initiated Monmouth Boys and Girls Club Dockside Visit in Atlantic City | Continued coordination |
| 04/26/2024 | Duke University Marine Lab | Attended and sponsored Southeast and Mid-Atlantic Marine Mammal Symposium | Sponsored, continued coordination |

3.2. Potential Effects and Input from Parties on Project Design or Implementation

Table 9 provides a summary of potential Project effects related to federal, state, and local parties and other stakeholders and their input on Project design and implementation during the reporting period.

Table 9.Potential Effects and Input from Parties on Project Design or ImplementationDuring the Reporting Period

| Potential Effect | Affected Party | Effort to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation has been Informed |
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| Potential impacts to fisheries industry from gear loss and damage related to survey activities | Fisheries | The Offshore Fisheries Liaison Representatives solicited information from industry members on locations of fishing gear prior to and during survey activities. This information was relayed to the survey team to mitigate potential conflicts between fishing and survey activity. The Offshore Fisheries Liaison Representative is expanding on these conversations to coordinate on future Project activities. |

| Potential Effect | Affected Party | Effort to Address Potential Effect and/or How the Project Design or Implementation has been Informed |
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| Potential impacts to protected bird species | United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) | Continued coordination to address specific species concerns to effectively assess risks and impacts. |
| Potential impacts to fisheries industry from preliminary WTG positions | GARFO | Continued coordination and further examination of the preliminary WTG layout to explore potential conflicts with the fishing industry. |
| Potential impacts to USCG navigational channels and anchorage areas and users | USCG | Continued coordination and further examination of potential impacts and discussions with USCG and the mariner community. |

3.3. Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement Activities

Table 10 provides a summary of anticipated or scheduled engagement activities with federal, state, and local parties and other stakeholders.

| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
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| Interagency Coordination Meeting on the development and submittal of the COP | BOEM, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, EPA, NOAA Fisheries, National Park Service, United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), USCG, USFWS, New Jersey Historic Preservation Office, New York State Historic Preservation Office, New Jersey Department of Transportation, New York State Department of Transportation, other relevant agencies to be determined | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| Survey Strategy Meeting: Site Characterization and Pre- Construction, as applicable | BOEM, NOAA Fisheries, USACE, USFWS, other relevant agencies | None. This engagement is Project- specific |

Table 10. Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement with Parties for the Next Reporting Period



| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Interagency Meeting Preliminary Project Design Meeting #1: WTG Layouts, Offshore export cable routes (ECRs), and Landfalls, and Resource Concerns | BOEM (Marine Minerals Program), NOAA Fisheries, USACE, USFWS, USCG, other relevant agencies | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| Monthly to bi-weekly coordination on COP development and requisite studies | BOEM, relevant agencies as applicable | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| Sediment Transport Analysis and Hydrodynamic Modeling protocol | BOEM, relevant agencies as applicable | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| Underwater Acoustic Assessment protocol | BOEM, NOAA Fisheries, relevant agencies as applicable | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| Terrestrial Archaeological Resources Assessment protocol | BOEM, New Jersey Historic Preservation Office, relevant agencies as applicable | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| Seascape, Landscape, and Visual Impact Assessment protocol | BOEM, relevant agencies as applicable | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| Navigation Safety Risk Assessment protocol | BOEM, USCG, relevant agencies as applicable | None. This engagement is Project- specific |
| New York Bight PEIS | BOEM, Lessees | Anticipate joint meetings with other Lessees and BOEM to discuss progress of PEIS and to share information |
| National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 | BOEM, Lessees | Anticipate joint meetings with other Lessees and BOEM to discuss additional guidance on Section 106 |
| ACP and Lessees monthly coordination with BOEM | BOEM, Lessees, ACP | Continued coordination between BOEM, Lessees, and ACP on the New York Bight |
| Regulatory process and cable routing | USACE | None. These engagements are Project- specific |



| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
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| Marine cable routing | USCG | None. These engagements are Project- specific |
| Terrestrial cable routing | New Jersey Department of Transportation | None. These engagements are Project- specific |
| Coastal Zone Consistency Review | NJDEP, New York State Department of State | None. These engagements are Project- specific |
| Water quality and regulatory processes | NJDEP | None. These engagements are Project- specific |
| Land use | NJDEP | None. These engagements are Project- specific |
| Coordination on continuing surveys, gathering peak fishing times and areas, port visits, stakeholder meetings, conferences, tradeshows, tournaments, fisheries mitigation solutions | Fisheries community, Offshore Fisheries Liaison Representative | Anticipate sharing port hours with other Lessees |
| Science partnership opportunities, cooperative research and data sharing, community outreach | Regional institutions; Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative for Offshore Wind, Responsible Offshore Science Alliance, Northeastern Regional Association of Coastal Ocean Observing Systems, Mid-Atlantic Regional Association Coastal Ocean Observing System, academia, organizations, NOAA Sea Grant OSW Energy Liaison | None. These engagements are Project- specific |
| OSW development and potential impacts to fish and fisheries | NYSERDA M-TWG and F-TWG; some of these engagements are jointly attended by Lessees | Anticipate continued coordination |
| Identification and contracting of Fisheries Industry Representatives | Commercial and recreational fisheries stakeholders, Lessees | Anticipate coordinating with Lessees on potential for shared Fisheries Industry Representatives |



| Anticipated Focus of Discussion or Engagement | Party | Anticipated Coordinated Engagement with Other Lessees |
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| Coordinating on recreational fisheries engagement and representation in OSW | American Clean Power, Consensus Building Institute, Lessees, Recreational fisheries stakeholders | This initiative is being coordinated between Lessees |
| Continued Project information awareness and education | Local stakeholders | None. These engagements are Project- specific |
| Continued outreach and engagement about offshore wind and industry education | K-12 and higher education students across New Jersey | None. These engagements are Project-specific |
| Continued engagement and evaluation of potential programs and collaboration with diversity suppliers across aspects of the Project | Small, diverse, women/minority- owned, or veteran-owned businesses and suppliers | None. These engagements are Project-specific |

4. Survey Plan Activities Under BOEM Review or Underway

Table 11 and Table 12 summarize Invenergy's survey activities and coordination with BOEM. Invenergy completed the third benthic survey of the Lease Area and first survey of the potential New Jersey routes in November 2023. The fourth benthic survey of the Lease Area and second survey of the potential New Jersey routes were mobilized and ongoing throughout April 2024. The 12-month boat-based avian surveys commenced in January 2024 and are ongoing. The geotechnical and geophysical survey campaigns will continue through summer 2024 and the benthic surveys will continue through fall 2024.

| Type of Survey | Survey Activity Date or Proposed Date | Purpose | Location Description |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Geotechnical Survey | Began November 2023 and ongoing through summer 2024 | Collected geotechnical samples in Lease Area and continuing collection in New Jersey ECRs | Lease Area and New Jersey ECRs |

Table 11. Survey Plan Activities Under BOEM Review or Underway



| Type of Survey | Survey Activity Date or Proposed Date | Purpose | Location Description |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| New Jersey Lease Area Benthic Survey 3 and New Jersey ECRs Benthic Survey 1 | November 2023 | Used an iterative approach, informed by previous Benthic Surveys and in coordination with BOEM and NOAA Fisheries, Invenergy collected grab samples, video, and photographs to characterize the benthic environment in the potential New Jersey offshore ECRs and continue sampling in the Lease Area | Lease Area and potential offshore ECRs |
| Avian Boat- Based Survey | January 2024 and ongoing throughout the year | Collected site-specific baseline avian data as to understand species presence and abundance within the Lease Area to support exposure and risk assessments of birds in the COP as well as NEPA review | Lease Area |
| New Jersey ECRs Benthic Survey 2 | March 2024 | Invenergy collected grab samples, video, and photographs to characterize the benthic environment in the potential New Jersey ECRs; employed an iterative approach, informed by previous benthic surveys and in coordination with BOEM and NOAA Fisheries | Lease Area and potential ECRs |

Table 12 provides a summary of anticipated or modified survey activities.



| Type of Survey | Survey Activity Date or Proposed Date | Purpose | Location Description |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Geoarchaeo- logical surveys | Anticipated commencement in Spring 2024 | Use an iterative approach, informed by previous geotechnical and geophysical surveys and in coordination with BOEM, Invenergy will search for potential submerged resources in the Lease Area and in the potential New Jersey offshore ECRs; employ an iterative approach, informed by previous geotechnical and geophysical surveys and in coordination with BOEM | Lease Area and potential offshore ECRs |
| Nearshore Benthic Survey | Anticipated commencement in Summer 2024 | Invenergy will collect grab samples, video, and photographs to characterize the benthic environment in the potential New Jersey nearshore ECRs; employ an iterative approach, informed by previous Benthic Surveys and in coordination with BOEM and NOAA Fisheries | Nearshore areas |
| Multi-channel Ultra-high Resolution Seismics (MUHRS) | Anticipated commencement in July 2024 | UHRS surveys of the Lease Area | Lease Area |
| Geotechnical Survey | Anticipated continuation of geotechnical survey in Spring 2024 | Collect geotechnical samples in Lease Area and potential offshore ECRs | Lease Area and potential offshore ECRs |

5. Coordinated Engagement

Invenergy has participated in coordinated engagement efforts with other Lessees in the New York Bight. Invenergy has worked with the larger OSW development community through the ACP Association to advocate for the OSW industry, collaborate on policy discussions, engage, and collaborate on fisheriesrelated concerns and outreach, and coordinate with federal agencies on emerging policy guidance. Invenergy continues to actively engage with other New York Bight Lessees and BOEM on the PEIS that BOEM is undertaking for the New York Bight and Section 106 guidance.

Invenergy and the New York Bight Lessees will continue to engage with the Tribes/Tribal Nations both individually and collectively regarding Tribes/Tribal Nations interests. Based on these continued discussions, the Lessees will coordinate updates to the Joint NATCP, as necessary.

With regard to state activities, Invenergy continues to be an active participant in the New Jersey Mid-Atlantic Renewable Energy Coalition where it works with other renewable energy organizations to promote responsible renewable energy development, as well as the newly formed New Jersey Offshore Wind Alliance.

As part of the Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative for OSW, Invenergy continues to participate in monthly meetings of the marine mammal, avian/bat, sea turtle, habitat/ecosystem, and industry subcommittees to provide input on the development of the organization's proposed science plan. Additionally, Invenergy participated in multiple NYSERDA TWG engagements with the EJ-TWG, F-TWG, E-TWG, M-TWG, and Supply Chain-TWG, for discussion and feedback regarding broader climate justice and energy equity strategies, Project-specific updates, workforce and supply chain activities.

Invenergy continues to pursue partnerships with academic institutions and non-governmental organizations to advance environmental research and monitoring in key thematic areas including commercial fisheries, biological resources (e.g., marine mammals, avian/bat, fishes), economic development, technological advancements, and education. Invenergy established a memorandum of understanding with the Mid-Atlantic Regional Association Coastal Ocean Observing System in January 2024. Invenergy will continue these efforts to identify and evaluate potential partnership opportunities for furthering meaningful research, information sharing, and work force opportunities. Invenergy maintains regular discussions with administrators of the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Ocean Data Portals regarding data sharing opportunities in support of their efforts to synthesize survey and monitoring data at regional scales.



Appendix A Tribes/Tribal Nations and Other Parties Relevant to the Project

| Table A-1. Federally Recognized Tribes/Tribal Nations Relevant to the Proje | ct |
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| Name of Tribe |
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| Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma |
| Delaware Tribe of Indians |
| Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma |
| Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation |
| Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe |
| Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut |
| Shawnee Tribe |
| Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians |
| The Delaware Nation |
| The Narragansett Indian Tribe |
| The Shinnecock Indian Nation |
| Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) |

Table A-2. Parties Relevant to the Project

| Name of Party | Party Type(s) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Bureau of Ocean Energy Management | Federal Agency (FA) |
| Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement | FA |
| Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office | FA |
| National Marine Fisheries Service | FA |
| National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration | FA |
| National Park Service | FA |
| Northeast Fisheries Science Center | FA |
| United States Army Corps of Engineers (Philadelphia District) | FA |
| United States Coast Guard | FA |
| United States Environmental Protection Agency | FA |
| United States Fish and Wildlife | FA |
| New Jersey Board of Public Utilities | State Agency (SA) |
| New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection | SA |
| New Jersey Economic Development Authority | SA |
| New York State Department of State | SA |
| New York State Energy Research and Development Authority | SA |



| Name of Party | Party Type(s) |
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| American Clean Power | Tribal, State, Federal, or Other Working Group or Forum (WG) |
| American Clean Power Fisheries Subcommittee | WG |
| American Clean Power New York Bight Fisheries Working Group | WG |
| American Fisheries Society: Mid-Atlantic Chapter | WG |
| Environmental Justice Technical Working Group | WG |
| Fisheries Technical Working Group | WG |
| Maritime Technical Working Group | WG |
| National Wildlife Federation | WG |
| New York Chapter of the American Fisheries Society | WG |
| Northeast Fisheries Management Council | WG |
| American Littoral Society | Educational and Research Institutions (ERI) |
| Brooklyn STEAM Center | ERI |
| City University of New York | ERI |
| Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County New York | ERI |
| Hudson County Community College | ERI |
| Liberty Science Center | ERI |
| Mid-Atlantic Regional Association Coastal Ocean Observing System | ERI |
| Monmouth University | ERI |
| National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium | ERI |
| New Jersey Institute of Technology | ERI |
| New Jersey Universities and Colleges | ERI |
| Newark School of Data Science and Information Technology | ERI |
| Northeastern Regional Association of Coastal Ocean Observing Systems | ERI |
| Regional Wildlife Science Collaborative for Offshore Wind | ERI |
| Responsible Offshore Science Alliance | ERI |
| Rowan College | ERI |
| Rowan University | ERI |
| Rutgers Haskin Shellfish Research Laboratory | ERI |
| Rutgers University | ERI |
| Science Center for Marine Fisheries | ERI |
| Virginia Institute of Marine Science | ERI |
| University of Mississippi | ERI |



| Name of Party | Party Type(s) |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution | ERI |
| American Scallop Association | Commercial Fishery Industry (CFish) |
| Commercial Fishing Association (Rhode Island and Long Island) | CFish |
| Commercial Fishers and For-Hire Fishers | CFish |
| Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association | CFish |
| African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey | Other |
| America's Gleaned Seafood, | Other |
| Atlantic Capes Fisheries Inc | Other |
| Atlantic Marine Conservation Society | Other |
| Belford Seafood Cooperative Association Inc. | Other |
| Brooklyn Navy Yard | Other |
| Chamber of Commerce (New Jersey) | Other |
| Cold Spring Fish and Supply Company | Other |
| East Coast Seafood Group | Other |
| Environmental Advocates of New York | Other |
| Fishermen's Dock Cooperative Inc. | Other |
| Fugro | Other |
| Gotham Whale | Other |
| GreenFaith | Other |
| Jersey Renews | Other |
| KidWind | Other |
| Laborers (LIUNA) Local 472 | Other |
| Lund's Fisheries Inc. | Other |
| Make the Road New Jersey | Other |
| New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners | Other |
| New Jersey Department of Environmental Commissions | Other |
| New Jersey League of Conservation Voters | Other |
| New Jersey Manufacturing Extension Program | Other |
| New York City Economic Development Corporation | Other |
| Offshore North America at Ørsted | Other |
| Partnership for the Delaware Estuary | Other |
| Point Pleasant Dock Cooperative | Other |
| Regional Plan Association | Other |
| Saltwater Fishing Expo | Other |



| Name of Party | Party Type(s) |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Sea Watch International Ltd | Other |
| Seafreeze Ltd. | Other |
| Sierra Club | Other |
| Soulful Synergy | Other |
| Southern New Jersey Development Corporation | Other |
| Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey | Other |
| Surfrider Foundation | Other |
| Surfside Foods Products LLC | Other |
| Sustainable Jersey | Other |
| Viking Village Inc | Other |
| We Act for Environmental Justice | Other |
| Work Environmental Council | Other |



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Appendix C Communications Plans

| Communications Plans | |
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| Agency Communication Plan | https://leadinglightwind.com/assets/img/Leading-Light- Wind Agency- Comms-Plan Final-rev.1 032423 2023-03-24- 223010_nyis.pdf |
| Fisheries Communication Plan | https://leadinglightwind.com/documents |
| New York Bight Joint Native American Tribes Communication Plan | https://leadinglightwind.com/assets/pdfs/leadinglightoffshore/New- York- Bight-Joint-Native-American-Tribes-Communication-Plan- October-2023.pdf |