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WASHINGTON, DC 20240-0001

Ms. Rachel Pachter  
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Vineyard Wind LLC  
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Dear Ms. Pachter:

I am writing on behalf of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Office of Renewable Energy Programs (OREP), in response to Vineyard Wind LLC's (Vineyard Wind) multiple requests to extend the operations term of lease OCS-A 0501 (Lease), the latest of which is dated February 10, 2021. BOEM is hereby informing you that the operations term of your Lease is being extended through a renewal under 30 C.F.R. §§ 585.425 *et seq.*, from 25 to 33 years, and will commence on the date that BOEM issues the approval of your Construction and Operations Plan for the lease.

As provided in Section 20 of lease OCS-A 0501, the lease may be modified or amended only by mutual agreement of the Lessor and the Lessee, and no such modification or amendment will be binding unless it is in writing and signed by Lease Representatives of both the Lessor and the Lessee. Enclosed are three copies of the "Amendment of Renewable Energy Lease OCS-A 0501" (the Amendment), which is intended to extend the lease operations term from 25 years to 33 years. We have made the following two changes to Addendum B of the lease to implement the extended operations term: (i) the operations term in row three of the table in Section I is changed from 25 years to 33 years; and (ii) Section III (b)(2) now includes a reference to a "thirty-three year" operations term, instead of a "twenty-five year" operations term. We have also proposed changes to the Lease to reflect technical corrections and to bring the lease into alignment with the terms and conditions included in BOEM's current commercial lease form BOEM-0008.

To confirm your decision to amend lease OCS-A 0501, as proposed in the enclosure, please sign, date, and return three copies of the Amendment to OREP. After BOEM receives the signed copies, BOEM plans to execute the Amendment on behalf of the United States and send you one fully executed copy to be attached and made a part of the lease.

Please send all hardcopy materials to Ms. Gina Best, Leasing Specialist, Office of Renewable Energy Programs, 45600 Woodland Road, Mail Stop VAM-OREP, Sterling, Virginia 20166. You may return your executed Amendment electronically in PDF format to the OREP mailbox at [renewableenergy@boem.gov](mailto:renewableenergy@boem.gov). Digital signatures, affixed to paper and digital copies, are acceptable.

If there are any questions, please contact Emily Hildreth at [Emily.Hildreth@boem.gov](mailto:Emily.Hildreth@boem.gov) or 571-491-7505.

Sincerely,

James F. Bennett  
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Office of Renewable Energy Programs

Enclosures