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Acronyms and Abbreviations

BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
COP	Construction and Operations Plan
EDPR	EDP Renewable
eTWG	Environmental Technical Working Group
FCP	Fisheries Communication Plan
ft	feet
IHA	Incidental Harassment Authorization
km	kilometers
Lease Area	Lease Area OCS-A 0537
m	meters
nm	nautical miles
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
NYSERDA	New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
OW	Ocean Winds
OW East	OW Ocean Winds East, LLC
ROSA	Responsible Offshore Science Alliance
RWSC	Regional Wildlife Science Collaboration
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

1 Introduction

OW Ocean Winds East, LLC (Bluepoint Wind) is a partnership between Ocean Winds (OW), an international offshore wind energy company created by EDP Renewables and ENGIE (50:50), and New York-based Global Infrastructure Partners.

Bluepoint Wind was awarded offshore lease area OCS-A 0537, herein referred to as the Lease Area, in February 2022 by the U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) in the New York Bight area (see Figure 1). Bluepoint Wind intends to develop a state-of-the-art offshore wind power project within the Lease Area, associated export cable route and onshore facilities, herein referred to as the Project. The Lease Area is located 38 nautical miles (nm) (70 kilometers [km]) off the coast of New York and 53 nm (107 km) off the coast of New Jersey, has an average water depth of 180 feet (ft) (55 meters [m]) and is estimated to have the capacity to generate up to 1.7 gigawatts of electricity.

This Progress Report is prepared in accordance with Section 3.1 of the Lease OCS-A 0537, which requires that Bluepoint Wind submit a semi-annual progress report (Progress Report) to BOEM every six months from the date of the lease effective date by BOEM (May 1, 2022), through the approval of a Construction and Operations Plan (COP). This report covers the period from May 1, 2022, to November 1, 2022. The purpose of this Progress Report is to document overall Project progress and engagement activities undertaken with Tribes, parties, and stakeholders applicable to the Project over the prior 6-month period. The Tribes, parties, and stakeholders that may be potentially affected by the Project activities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Coastal Communities
- Commercial and Recreational Fishing Industries
- Educational and Research Institutions
- Environmental and Public Interest Non-Governmental Organizations
- Federal, State and Local Agencies
- Federally recognized Tribes
- Mariners and the Maritime Industry
- Ocean Users
- Submarine Cable Operators
- Underserved Communities

Each Progress Report will be updated with Project progress and engagement activities completed during the reporting period and plans for continued engagement.

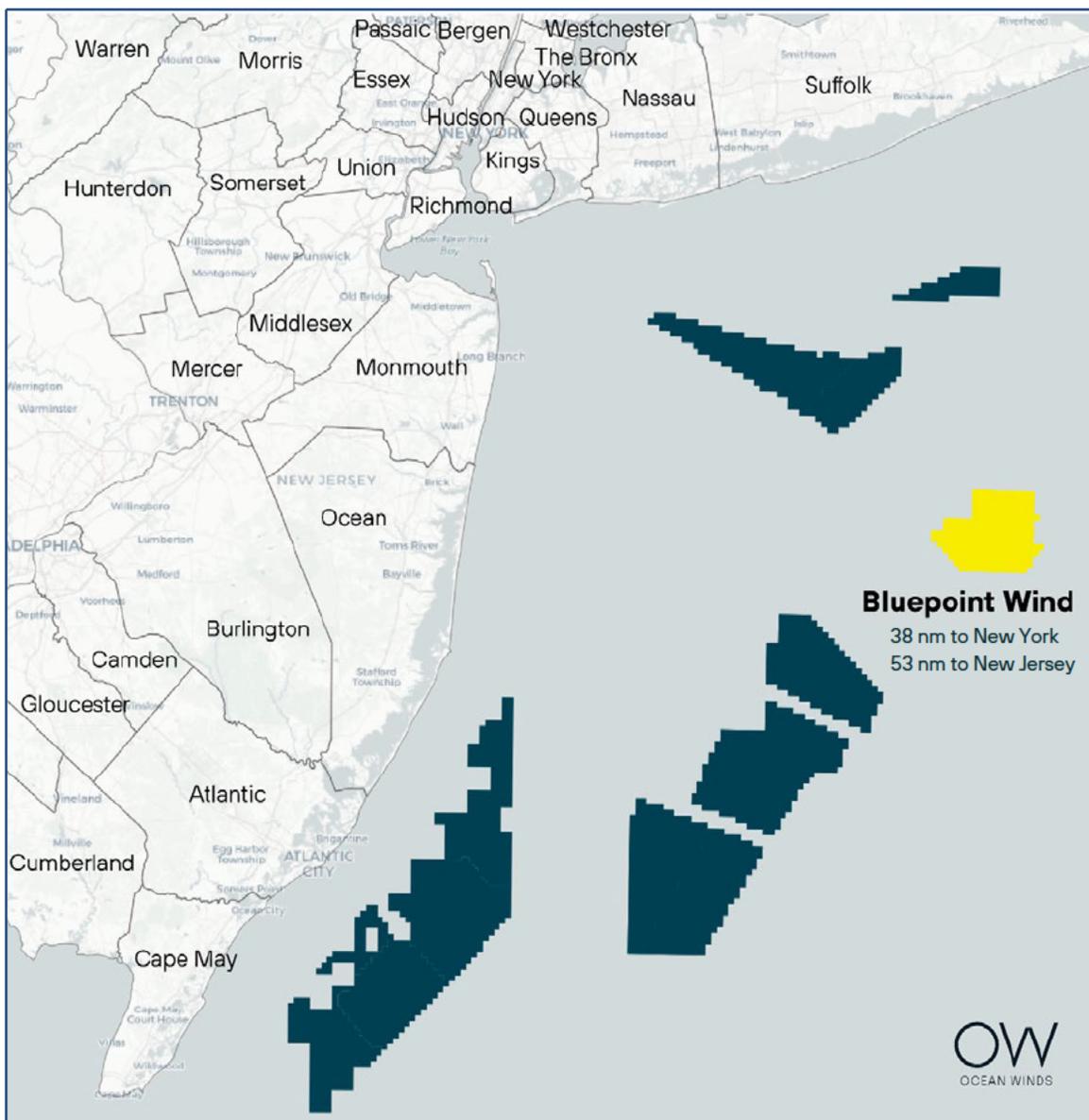


Figure 1 Bluepoint Wind Lease (OCS-A 0537)

2 Brief Narrative of Overall Progress

This section provides a brief summary of survey and development activities conducted during the first reporting period, May 1, 2022, through November 1, 2022.

2.1 Survey Activities

Bluepoint Wind has submitted the following documents in relation to survey activities:

- Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA) application to National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS) on [REDACTED]
- Geotechnical Survey Plan to BOEM on [REDACTED]
- Geophysical Survey Plan to BOEM on [REDACTED]

Survey activities are planned to commence in Spring 2023 and will be conducted in accordance with the approved plans/permit identified above.

2.2 Site Assessment Plan Activities

No Site Assessment Plan activities occurred during this reporting period.

2.3 Transmission Planning

Bluepoint Wind is undertaking transmission routing studies to inform survey activities and to support potential export transmission routes from the Lease Area to shore.

2.4 Other Development Activities

Bluepoint Wind is evaluating port facilities and related supply chain opportunities.

3 Overview of Stakeholder Engagement

Stakeholder engagement activities have focused on planning and general outreach to introduce Bluepoint Wind to stakeholders. During this period of time, the Project name was changed from OW East to Bluepoint Wind.¹

Bluepoint Wind has broadly engaged with stakeholders per the BOEM lease stipulations and developed communication vehicles including a Bluepoint Wind Factsheet (See **Appendix A**) and the launch of a website www.bluepointwind.com to facilitate outreach and provide project updates. Stakeholder Communication Plans have also been developed or are under development in consultation with BOEM and specific stakeholder groups.

A Fisheries Communication Plan (FCP) is posted at www.bluepointwind.com and commercial and recreational stakeholders have been notified of the availability of the plan (See **Appendix B** for FCP). Bluepoint Wind has also participated in joint portside discussions in New Bedford, MA, Port Judith, RI, and various ports in New Jersey and plans to continue to participate in these port side discussion as scheduled in collaboration with other developers.

Bluepoint Wind has also scheduled general introductions and listening sessions with Federal and State agencies, environmental, community, labor, workforce development and academic stakeholders and is working with BOEM to schedule a future meeting with Native American Tribes. Bluepoint Wind plans to continue outreach to these entities as the Project progresses (See **Sections 4 & 5**).

Section 4 of this report provides a summary of information about engagement activities with Native American Tribes over the prior 6-month period.² **Section 5** of this report provides additional information regarding engagement with other parties and stakeholders since the prior 6-month period.

¹ <https://www.oceanwinds.com/news/uncategorized/ow-east-llc-announces-name-of-new-york-bight-project-as-bluepointwind/#:~:text=Bluepoint%20Wind%20is%20a%20partnership,leading%20independent%20infrastructure%20fund%20manager.>

² Due to the sensitive and often confidential nature of conversations between sovereign, federally recognized Tribal governments and lessees, Section 4 includes summary information about engagement activities but should not include detailed or specific information regarding engagement objectives or strategies; information, concerns, and/or recommendations made by Tribal governments; and/or agreements reached between lessees and Tribal governments. Any public release of information shared during or generated as a result of engagement with Tribes/Tribal Nations should be discussed with and approved by relevant Tribal governments prior to public disclosure.

4 Native American Tribes Engagement

4.1 Summary of Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind will consult with Native American Tribes as sovereign governments recognized by the federal government. The following Native American Tribes and Parties have been identified by BOEM in the lease stipulations as having cultural and/or historical ties to the Lease Area and subject to outreach and communication. Bluepoint Wind invites other interested Native American Tribes and Parties to contact us directly.

Native American Tribes and Parties:

- Delaware Tribe of Indians
- Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
- Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation
- Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe
- Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
- Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians
- The Delaware Nation
- The Narragansett Indian Tribe
- The Shinnecock Indian Nation
- Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah)
- Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
- Shawnee Tribe

Tribal governments with cultural and/or historical ties to the Lease Area were first contacted by mail and email in July 2022 for a Tribal Listening Session. The invitation introduced the identified Tribal governments to the Project and provided them with a map of the Lease Area. The Tribal Listening Session was postponed pending further guidance from BOEM.

Tribal governments with cultural and/or historical ties to the Lease Area were contacted again in mid-October by certified mail, phone, and email inviting them to a Geophysical and Geotechnical pre-survey meeting to provide comments on Bluepoint Wind's future survey plans and learn about the Project. The meeting will take place during the next reporting period, on November 2 and November 3, 2022.

No potential adverse effects of the Project were identified by Native American Tribes during the reporting period. No feedback was obtained regarding transmission planning during the reporting period.

4.2 Anticipated or Scheduled Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind plans to hold a virtual meeting with Representatives from Tribal governments with cultural and/or historical ties to the Lease Area on November 2 and November 3, 2022, in which the Native American Tribes will be able to learn about proposed survey activity, lease compliance, and provide feedback.

5 Other Stakeholder Engagement

5.1 Summary of Agency Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind has participated in various agency meetings and engagement, see Table 1, during the Reporting Period, including introductory meetings with several agencies. No Project specific concerns of significance were raised given the early stage of the Project. On July 25, 2022, fifty-three (53) agency representatives attended Bluepoint Wind’s Inter-Agency Meeting to provide input on its Agency Communication Plan. The participating agencies voiced a need for early and continual communication to address any concerns and receive feedback. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The Agency Communication Plan was submitted to BOEM and other agencies on August 25/26, 2022, and no updates to the plan have been made.

Table 1 Summary of Agency Engagement Activities

Types of Engagement Activities (Number of Activity)	Date	Attending Agency	Topics of Discussions
1 Virtual Project Introduction Meeting	6/9/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
1 Virtual Project Introduction Meeting	6/21/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
1 Virtual Inter-Agency Meeting	7/25/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
1 Virtual Meeting	7/18/22	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
1 Virtual Project Introduction Meeting	8/25/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
4 Virtual Monthly Meetings	7/6/2022 8/11/2022 9/8/2022 10/13/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
1 Virtual Meeting	10/11/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

5.2 Anticipated or Scheduled Agency Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind plans to meet individually with numerous agencies over the coming year to introduce the Project and develop a trusted and efficient relationship between the Bluepoint Wind team and agencies to understand their potential concerns and critical points of engagement with agencies.

At these early-stage meetings, Bluepoint Wind also plans to discuss permits/approvals for upcoming geophysical, geotechnical, and benthic surveys, Lease Area and export cable route siting, and/or COP assessment protocols.

Required or recommended meetings. The purpose of required or recommended meetings is to coordinate with agencies as mandated to support Project compliance throughout development and beyond. For example, some prescribed meetings are detailed in BOEM lease stipulations and within the Section 106 process. Bluepoint Wind will engage agencies and follow all prescribed timeframes of engagement, such as for Pre-survey meetings and Pre-application meetings.

Informal consultations. Informal consultations are intended to solicit agency feedback during planning phases and beyond. The purpose of these meetings is to support Project compliance and align Project activities with agency best practices/agency guidance and recommendations as applicable. Informal consultations will occur at the convenience of the pertinent agency as is recommended or is useful to agencies and/or to address specific concerns.

Interagency meetings. It is anticipated that Bluepoint Wind will hold an Interagency Meeting twice a year or as needed. Interagency meetings will be used for:

- Project updates;
- Knowledge sharing activities; and
- High level meetings that benefit multiple agencies.

5.3 Summary of Fisheries Engagement Activities

During this reporting period, Bluepoint Wind prepared a FCP and notified relevant fisheries stakeholders of its availability on the Bluepoint Wind website. These stakeholders include commercial and recreational fisheries who may be active within the Lease Area. Furthermore, Bluepoint Wind identified ports used by fisheries stakeholders and has begun initial outreach to commercial and recreational fisheries through port side discussions. Table 2 lists Bluepoint Wind’s engagements and topics of discussion which were introductory in nature given the early stage of the Project.

Table 2 Summary of Fisheries Engagement Activities

Types of Engagement Activities (Number of Activity)	Date	Attending Stakeholder Group	Topics of Discussions
Virtual Meeting	8/25/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
In-Person Meeting	9/08/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
3 In-Person Meetings	9/08/2022 9/09/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
In-Person Meeting	9/09/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	10/21/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
In-Person Meeting	10/24/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
In-Person Meeting	10/25/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Types of Engagement Activities (Number of Activity)	Date	Attending Stakeholder Group	Topics of Discussions
		[REDACTED]	
In-Person Meeting	10/26/2022	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	10/26/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

5.4 Anticipated or Scheduled Fisheries Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind is planning to conduct additional outreach to individual commercial and recreational fisheries including scallop fisheries and surf clam ocean quahog fisheries which may have an interest in Lease Area activities. Additionally, Bluepoint Wind has reached out to other New York Bight offshore wind developers to express interest in coordinating outreach when practicable.

5.5 Summary of Other Stakeholder Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind has initiated outreach and engagement with prominent stakeholder organizations in New York and New Jersey to build relationships and obtain feedback. Meetings completed to date are listed in Table 3. Bluepoint Wind also participates in regular meetings of several regional research and science groups formed to address the need for the coordination of relevant, credible, and efficient research and monitoring of wildlife and marine ecosystems. Bluepoint Wind has participated in Regional Wildlife Science Collaboration (RWSC) sub-committees, the Responsible Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) committees, and New York State Energy and Research Development Authority (NYSERDA) environmental, fisheries and maritime technical working groups (TWGs).

Table 3 Summary of Other Stakeholder Engagement Activities

Types of Engagement Activities (Number of Activity)	Date	Attending Stakeholder Group	Topics of Discussions
Virtual Meeting	8/22/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meetings	6/07/2022 8/10/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	8/19/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Types of Engagement Activities (Number of Activity)	Date	Attending Stakeholder Group	Topics of Discussions
Virtual Meeting	8/31/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	9/12/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	9/08/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	7/01/22	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	7/18/22	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	8/19/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	8/19/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	9/08/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Virtual Meeting	8/24/2022 9/09/2022	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

5.6 Anticipated or Scheduled Other Stakeholder Engagement Activities

Bluepoint Wind plans to continue to meet with a wide range of stakeholders to obtain input on the project and develop partnerships to facilitate responsible project development.

6 Coordinated Engagement

Bluepoint Wind welcomes the opportunity to coordinate with other NY Bight leaseholders. NY Bight leaseholders have begun to engage with one another in introductory meetings and are committed to continually seek opportunities for collaboration to reduce burdens on resource-limited agencies, Native American Tribes, and other parties. Bluepoint Wind will work together to identify avoidance, minimization, mitigation, and monitoring measures based on lessons learned in the industry both domestically and globally. Bluepoint Wind will seek opportunities to meet as a group on select topics to reduce the need for redundant individual meetings. This approach was recently successfully implemented by BOEM on NY Bight Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement stakeholder meetings. Bluepoint Wind will work with BOEM on leaseholder coordination for engagement with Tribal governments that have cultural and/or historical ties to the Lease Area. Bluepoint Wind will seek to meet jointly in other forums and/or request joint "NY Bight" presentations/agenda items at various working group and stakeholder meetings to reduce the need for individual presentations. Bluepoint Wind welcomes any suggestions from agencies, Native American Tribes, and other parties on how to best coordinate with other NY Bight leaseholders.

Appendices

Appendix A Bluepoint Wind Fact Sheet



Bluepoint Wind is a partnership between Ocean Winds, an international offshore wind energy company created by EDP Renewables (EDPR) and ENGIE (50:50), and New York-based Global Infrastructure Partners.

Together, these companies have a successful track record of over 50 years of experience in development, financing, construction and operation of renewables projects, including more than 15 years on offshore wind projects.

Ocean Winds has offshore wind farm projects currently under development, construction or operating in communities all over the world, including in the UK, France, Belgium, Portugal, Poland, South Korea, and—closer to home—in Massachusetts.

COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

Bluepoint Wind is strongly committed to sustainability, science, and the protection of our natural resources and preservation of historic resources across all projects. Bluepoint Wind supports the advancement of climate science and the scientific study of our ocean's resources and its complex ecosystems.

Bluepoint Wind will seek the perspectives and input from all communities and stakeholders with environmental, cultural, economic, maritime and historical ties to the lease area to advance our understanding and find mutually beneficial solutions.

PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

- 1) We are committed to developing **long-term partnerships and relationships** that lead to equitable benefits for future generations.
- 2) We seek to establish **trust and accountability** with our stakeholders through **transparent and collaborative** communications and processes during all project development stages.
- 3) We **listen actively** to hear the people in front of us and tailor solutions to local needs, knowing the most **innovative ideas** often come from individual lived experiences.
- 4) We believe safety and responsible development are cultural values that must be shared with others.



American Oyster Catcher
Gateway National Recreation Area



ABOUT BLUEPOINT WIND LEASE OCS-A 0537

Size of Lease: 71,533 acres / 289 km²

Average Depth: 54.5 meters

Distance to Shore: 53 nm* to NJ, 38 nm* to NY

Expected Capacity: 1.7 gigawatts (GW) enough to power up to 900,000 homes

Project Development Considerations:

- **More Energy:** This location has higher wind speeds, which create higher energy outputs than other locations closer to shore.
- **Less Impact:** Separation from other lease areas reduces waking, potential for export cable conflicts and cumulative effects with other leases.

*nautical miles = nm

HOW MUCH ENERGY WILL BLUEPOINT WIND PRODUCE?

Bluepoint Wind will install wind turbines off the coasts of NJ and NY.

When fully operational, Bluepoint Wind is expected to generate the following annual benefits:

1.7 gigawatts (GW) power

which is enough to power up to

900,000 homes

The energy generated by Bluepoint Wind each year is estimated to avoid about:

5.07 million metric tons of CO2

or the equivalent of removing

1.09 million gasoline-powered passenger vehicles

off the road for one year or the equivalent to carbon captured (sequestered) by planting

83,820,409 tree seedlings for 10 years.

(Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency)

The clean energy generated as part of this project will help New York, New Jersey, and the nation meet their ambitious goals for carbon emissions reduction and electricity production through sustainable renewable energy sources.

WHERE IS BLUEPOINT WIND IN ITS PLANNING PROCESS?

Bluepoint Wind is currently in the Planning and Development phase, planning site assessment surveys and prioritizing meetings with local and regional stakeholders to learn how to best serve local communities, ecosystems, and economies. The input we receive will be considered as part of the development process and reflected in project plans.

HOW WILL BLUEPOINT WIND HELP PROTECT LOCAL ECOSYSTEMS AND FISHERIES?

Bluepoint Wind is committed to the responsible development of the lease area and protecting the health of local ecosystems.

Bluepoint Wind's parent company Ocean Winds is already an active member of various technical workgroups focused on fisheries and the collaboration with commercial and recreational fisheries. In Massachusetts, Ocean Winds' and Shell's Mayflower Wind project is teaming with local universities and research centers to monitor critical bird and fish species in nearshore and in offshore environments and working actively with stakeholders to ensure responsible development and environmental protection.



WILL I SEE OR HEAR BLUEPOINT WIND'S TURBINES FROM SHORE?

Bluepoint Wind's turbines will be located at least 53 nm off the coast of NJ and 38 nm off the coast of NY—far beyond sightlines and earshot from homes or beaches.



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Planning & Development
Years 1 to 5

Supply Chain Development
Years 6 to 7

Construction & Installation
Years 8 to 12

Operations & Maintenance
Years 13 to 33+

Stakeholder Engagement & Community Outreach
All phases of project

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Appendix B Fisheries Communication Plan

Available here: https://www.bluepointwind.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/FCP_OceanWinds_V6-08252022.pdf