

Call for Information (Call) Renewable Energy Leasing

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What is an Call?

- An Call is published in the Federal Register
- A formal notice inviting interested parties to provide submissions of interest in obtaining one or more commercial leases from MMS authorizing the construction and operation of a renewable energy project on the OCS

Purpose of the Call

- OCSLA requires MMS to award leases competitively, unless MMS makes a determination that there is no competitive interest
- The Call will assist MMS in determining if competitive interest exists in the described area

Public Comment Period

- The published Call is accompanied by a public comment period
 - The comment period is variable, but typically no less than 45 days
 - Only submissions received by the comment period deadline will be considered
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Call Elements for Task Force Consideration

- Description of the Call Area
- Required Nomination Information

Task Force members will have the opportunity to review and comment on the draft Call prior to its publication in the Federal Register

Evaluation Factors to Determine Competitive Interest

- Some factors BOEMRE could consider:
 - Site locations
 - Timing and type of proposed activities
 - Infrastructure
 - Anticipated power production and likely purchasers
 - Environmental and resource data and information
 - Qualifications to hold an OCS lease
- Others?

Determining Competitive Interest

- Once BOEMRE has reviewed information submitted, BOEMRE will make a determination of competitive interest
 - Geographic overlap?
 - Inter-tract competition

Questions?

