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April 29, 2022

Re: In the Matter of Offshore Wind Transmission, Docket No. QO10100630, Post Stakeholder Meeting Comments

Dear President Fiordaliso, and the Commissioners of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities,

As Mayor of the Borough of Point Pleasant Beach, I am committed to ensuring the quality of life and protection of our beaches and natural environment. We recognize the need for sustainable and renewable energy sources, but these sources absolutely must not negatively impact our way of life or pose a threat to our clean, safe beaches.

I am deeply concerned that many of the proposals for offshore wind transmission threaten to industrialize our communities along the coast of the Jersey Shore, particularly in Point Pleasant Beach, and burden them with obtrusive and permanent high-voltage transmission infrastructure. Additionally, we do not believe that there is any place for offshore wind farms within the visible horizon from our heavily-visited touristic beaches and local waters.

Any infrastructure, whether on land or water, must be appropriately confined to existing areas of heavy industry. Project proposals should be selected based on this, as well as the support of the locally-impacted communities.

I respectfully request that the BPU take into serious consideration feedback from local communities, such as Point Pleasant Beach, that may be negatively impacted when evaluating these offshore wind project proposals. It is imperative that any proposals imposing on the use of public property, especially touristic and environmentally-sensitive areas, are rejected.

Thank you for your time and attention to this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul M. Kanitra', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul M. Kanitra, Mayor  
Borough of Point Pleasant Beach