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To the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Commissioners and Staff:

On behalf of the 10,700 members of the New Jersey Heavy & General Construction Laborers District Council Locals 472 & 172 (NJH&GL District Council), we applaud the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities for your recent round of stakeholder meetings focusing on transmission systems for offshore wind. As a follow up, the members of the NJH&GL District Council are proud to submit this letter to express our full support for the state's continued investment in offshore wind and off shore wind transmission systems.

The NJH&GL District Council sees offshore wind as a major component of providing renewable energy, economic growth, and moving towards New Jersey's Energy Master Plan goal of being 100% clean energy by 2050. We have trained and skilled laborers ready to work and partner with our signatory industry leading contractors that specialize in developing and successfully building out renewable energy projects.

Increases in electrical demand in the coming decades will create a larger need than ever for additional power. In our new energy ecosystem, we need innovative projects like the recent proposals submitted by our signatory contractors and their partners. These critical infrastructure upgrades strengthen New Jersey's power grid with a goal of reducing the cost of energy to homeowners and businesses while providing cleaner alternatives that reduce our carbon footprint. Furthermore, renewable energy creates a fuel supply that never runs out giving us energy independence.

The NJH&GL District Council supports and stands ready to help all our signatory contractors whom have submitted proposals for these various projects that will meet the ambitious goals set forth in the New Jersey Energy Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Tony Oliveira **Business Manager**

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