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Honorable Joseph L. Fiordaliso, President
New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
c/o Acting Secretary Carmen Dias
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Via email to: board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov

RE: IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF OCEAN WIND LLC PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 48:3-87.1(f)
FOR A DETERMINATION THAT CERTAIN EASEMENTS AND CONSENTS NEEDED FOR CERTAIN
ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS IN, AND WITH RESPECT TO, THE COUNTY OF CAPE MAY ARE
REASONABLY NECESSARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR OPERATION OF THE OCEAN WIND 1
QUALIFIED OFFSHORE WIND PROJECT - BPU Docket No. QO22050347

REQUEST TO EXTEND THE TIME TO APPLY TO INTERVENE

Dear President Fiordaliso:

On June 29, 2022, the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) entered an Order in this matter, made effective Friday, July 1, 2022. The Order contains a provision that any party seeking to intervene in the matter must do so on or before July 15, 2022. As such, the New Jersey Association of Counties (NJAC), on behalf of all 21 counties in the State of New Jersey, has a significant interest in considering intervention in this matter. However, the timeframe of the Order makes it exceedingly difficult for NJAC, or any county governing body, to submit a Motion to Intervene on or before July 15, 2022. As you know, the issue will have to be considered by a board of county commissioners at a public meeting, which will simply not have enough time to place the matter on an upcoming meeting agenda and submit the necessary papers prepared for filing on or before July 15, 2022.

Accordingly, on behalf of the Board of Directors of NJAC, I'm respectfully requesting that BPU amend the aforementioned Order to make the deadline for filing a Motion to Intervene, on or before July 31, 2022. This will not cause any significant delay in the matter and will provide this and other potential intervenors an orderly, thoughtful, and reasonable process and timeframe. We are hopeful of your consideration of what the Association believes to be a reasonable and workable approach. Thank you for your time and consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me at (609) 394-3467 with any questions or concerns.

Very Truly Yours,



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