TOWNSHIP OF LOWER

2600 Bayshore Road Villas, New Jersey 08251



Incorporated 1798 (609) 886-2005

Hon. Joseph L. Fiordaliso, President New Jersey Board of Public Utilities c/o Acting Secretary Carmen Dias 44 South Clinton Avenue, 9th Floor P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350 via email to: board.secretary@bpu.nj.gov

July 7, 2022

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. Q022050347

REQUEST TO EXTEND THE TIME TO APPLY TO INTERVENE

Dear President Fiordaliso:

On June 29, 2022, the Board of Public Utilities entered in 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. The Township of Lower has a significant interest in considering intervention in this matter. However, the timeframe of the Order makes it exceedingly difficult for Lower Township to submit a Motion to Intervene on or before July 15, 2022. The issue will have to be considered by the governing body of the Township of Lower and the governing body will not have enough time to place the matter on an upcoming meeting agenda and have papers prepared for filing on or before July 15, 2022.

Accordingly, on behalf of the Township of Lower, I am requesting that the Board of Public Utilities 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 Township of Lower believes to be a reasonable and workable approach. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Frank Sippel, Mayor
Township of Lower