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5	NEW JERSEY OFFSHORE WIND SOLICITATION #3
6	ATTENTIVE ENERGY, LLC[1]
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12	Farhana Raman Katie Nolan (DEP)
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18	Murray Greene Alexandra Howell
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	Paul Phifer Eric Thumma
20	Jonathan Howie Lauren Bachtel Kirsty Speirs Nicolas Cambefort
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                      MR. FERRIS: Good morning. Thank
     you all for being here. We'll start with just some
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     introductions. We'll start with BPU first and then
     we'll go to Levitan. We do have someone from DEP
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     that will be joining. She's not on yet. And then
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     we'll go to the Attentive team. We'll then give you
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     an opportunity for some opening remarks and then
     Richard Levitan and his team are going to lead the
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     questions. So, let's start with the introductions.
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                      I'm Jim Ferris, deputy director of
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     the Division of Clean Energy at the BPU and I've
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     been leading our offshore wind team. Kira?
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                      MS. LAWRENCE: Good morning,
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     everybody. Kira Lawrence, I'm a senior scientist
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     with the Clean Energy Division here at the BPU and
     the environmental lead on the offshore wind team.
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     Nice to see you all today.
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                      MR. DILLON: Good morning.
     Kevin Dillon. I'm a project manager of the awarded
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     projects on behalf of the BPU. Thank you.
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                      MR. STREPPONE: Good morning, Jack
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     Streppone, member of the offshore wind team.
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                      MR. LEVITAN: Good morning.
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     Welcome. Richard Levitan, Levitan and Associates in
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     Boston, here to provide ongoing technical support to
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     the Board Staff.
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                      MS. COOL: Good morning. I'm Ellen
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     Cool, principal with Levitan and Associates, and I
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     will be covering topics related to environmental,
     fisheries, permitting.
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                      MR. MOLIN: Hi, I'm David Molin.
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     I'm an economist with Levitan and Associates and
     I'll be focusing on the economic benefits and
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     guarantees specifications. Thank you.
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                      MR. LEVITAN: Sara?
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                      MS. WILMER: Thank you. Sara
     Wilmer with Levitan and Associates. I am
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     responsible for managing bidder communications and
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     also supporting general project evaluation. And,
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     Jim, Katie is just joining if you want to have her
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     intro.
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                      MR. WILD: Hi, Bailey Wild, program
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     specialist on the offshore wind team.
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                      MR. FERRIS: Katie, can you
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     introduce yourself, please?
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                      MS. NOLAN: Yes, good morning,
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     everybody. My name is Katie Nolan. I'm with the
     office of permitting and project application at
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MR. FERRIS: Okay. I think that's

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                      MR. BEDNARZ: All right. We'll
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     kick off our side. Good morning. I'm Damian
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     Bednarz, president of Attentive Energy.
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                      MR. POOL: Good morning. I'm James
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     Pool, director of structured finance at Total
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     Energies
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                      MS. WITTMAN: Good morning, I'm
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     Christen Wittman, vice-president of project
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     development for Attentive Energy.
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                      MS. MARINOS: Good morning,
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     everyone. Tania Marinos, economic and workforce
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     development manager with Attentive Energy.
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                      MR. HESS: Good morning, Mattieu
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     Hess, senior project architect with Attentive
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     Energy.
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                      MR. HOWIE: Good morning, Jonathan
     Howie, technical director with Attentive Energy.
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                      MR. THUMMA: Good morning, I'm Eric
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     Thumma, I'm the US country manager for Corio
     Generation. We're one of the shareholders.
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                      MR. LEFEBVRE: Good morning, I'm
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     Brian LeFebvre, marine affairs manager for Attentive
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     Energy.
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                      MS. KHODAPARASTAN: Hi, everyone.
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     I'm Mahdiyeh Khodaparastan. I'm an interconnection
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     engineer for Attentive Energy.
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                      MS. TKACHUK: Hi, good morning.
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     Caroline Tkachuk, commercial manager for Attentive
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     Energy.
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                      MR. HEWITT-GUDGIN: Good morning,
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     Scot Hewitt-Gudgin,
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                      MR. PHIFER: Good morning,
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                I'm Paul Phifer. I'm the permitting and
     everyone.
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     developing director for Attentive Energy.
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                      MS. HOWELL: Good morning. I'm
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     Alexandra Howell, I'm the work force and labor
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     liaison for Attentive Energy.
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                      MR. GREENE: Good morning, Murray
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     Greene, general counsel for Attentive Energy.
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                      MS. BACHTEL: Lauren Bachtel,
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     Linklaters, external counsel to Attentive Energy.
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                      MS. SPEIRS: And Kirsty Speirs as
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     the HSEQ manager for Attentive Energy.
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                      MR. BEDNARZ: Virtually we have?
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                      MR. CAMBEFORT: Good morning,
     everyone. I'm Nicholas Cambefort. I'm the
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     vice-president for project delivery.
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                      MR. FERRIS: Looks like we have two
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     more BPU Staff also, Farhana and Genevieve. Will
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     you introduce yourselves, please?
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                      MS. DEGUILIO: I don't know if you
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     can see my face. Hi, I'm Genevieve. I'm project
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     manager on the offshore wind team focusing on the
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     SAA.
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                      MS. RAMAN: Hi, everybody. I'm
     Farhana Raman. I work in the office of the
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     economist and I'm interested to see how the
     conversation goes today. Thank you.
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                      MR. FERRIS: Okay. I think that's
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     everyone.
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                      Good morning again. Thank you all
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     for attending, especially for making the effort to
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     be here in person and thank you for joining us on
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     your vacation. We appreciate it.
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interview in a minute, but I first want to reiterate and emphasize that despite the recent news about two of our previously awarded projects, New Jersey remains committed to our clean energy goals and to achieving 11 gigawatts of offshore wind by 2040 and we are committed to the role that offshore wind plays in achieving our clean energy goals. We will get to, we will get to 11 gigawatts of offshore wind by 2040 and we will continue to establish a supply chain here in New Jersey for New Jersey's projects and for the region's projects that will provide significant economic benefits and jobs to all in New Jersey.

I also want to restate the importance that we place on achieving these goals at the least cost and least impact to ratepayers and while protecting our environment, natural resources, fishing, and wildlife.

So, the purpose of this interview is to seek clarification on your application. We do have a pretty tight schedule. We do have a lot of questions to go through, so we've asked that you be mindful of the clock in your responses. We do have a lot of questions to get through. If you don't know an answer or would prefer to spend some time

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     us or that we might need to follow-up on with you.
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     on Thursday, December 7 and LAI will provide you
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     with a link to upload the transcript.
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                      I do want to note that we may share
     confidential information with other New Jersey
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     government agencies, including, but not limited to,
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DEP, Rate Counsel, and EDA.

As I said earlier, please help yourself to refreshments. The restrooms are just outside that door. That door will lock behind you, so someone will need to get up and let you back in.

You have been provided a list of topics for today's interview. We may ask questions on additional topics. We will try not to trick you too much. And as I said also earlier, Richard Levitan and the LAI team will be leading the questions and moving us through the agenda.

So, once again, thank you for being here. Thank you also for your efforts to date in submitting your application and in responding to our significant number of clarifying questions that I know we don't give you a whole lot of time to respond in, so thank you for your responses and your responsiveness. We appreciate it.

We'll now go to you for whatever opening statement you'd like to make and then we'll turn it over to Richard to get started with the questions.

MR. BEDNARZ: Great. You all hear me well? Again, I'm Damian Bednarz. I'm the president of Attentive Energy. It is my pleasure to

give the opening statement for this team and this project. I want to thank BPU Staff and the team and DEP and for all those associated with this process. We're really grateful for the opportunity to be here to respond.

Jersey could never be higher and we believe that there needs to be a lasting climate and economic solution for our State. Offshore wind is part of that solution space. We believe that the Attentive Energy 2 project must be part of that solution.

This team and this project, as you'll hear from today, is part of that effort to go to the next chapter in how we establish offshore wind in New Jersey.

There are two pieces that have been really keeping me busy for the last couple weeks in preparation, this opening statement and preparing for my sister's wedding where I will be giving a toast this Saturday at Fort Monmouth. I don't know which one's occupied my mind more than the other, but it's pretty special. We have a North Jersey girl, marrying a Central Jersey guy, in, basically, the Jersey Shore and it's pretty incredible to see that, opportunity to see that family grow.

But, it also reminds me of how much this family has grown and this team really does conduct and act as a family and it's pretty special. You don't always get that in a career. You don't always get that opportunity in work, but we have today.

New Jersey in a building of this team, some of which we have been collaborating with before the pandemic, and those who have joined us as recently as this year, the growth of the team has been terrific. The talent, the skill sets that have been growing are immeasurable and have been fully reflective in the proposed initiatives and ideas that we have. The team represents some of the most passionate and talented clean energy developers I have ever had the chance and pleasure to work with.

Who is Attentive Energy? Let's talk about legacy for a second. I think this is important. This story has its origins with Governor Murphy's European trade mission in 2018. That trade mission convinced a certain ENBW, a German utility, to set up shop for their offshore wind activities in Jersey City, in the US, back in 2018. Since then, this team has evolved into a multibillion dollar

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opportunity that you see in front of us and in this proposal. We have changed jerseys along the way, but we remain the same team committed to community first and the values that we bring to this project. We are community minded, we are forward thinking, and we have true value with deep experience.
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I want to emphasize we did not show up here yesterday to compete in the third offshore wind solicitation. We've been doing the necessary early work in engagement for years. What we have proposed has the input and voices from communities across New Jersey and we believe that we are the ones to meet those commitments for the long haul.

We were at stakeholder meetings for BOEM still identifying wind energy here in the State of New Jersey back in 2018. We've been talking to New Jersey fisherman since 2019, long before we knew were we ever going to be in the ocean. We made sure that the team, as it was growing, had an opportunity to do a toxic tour in Newark in 2021 to understand the role of environmental injustice in New Jersey, what role that plays in project development, and how that influences our decisions going forward.

We have engaged all 21 counties across New Jersey. It is reflected in our

partnerships and our commitments in this proposal.

From Egg Harbor to Edison, Hamilton to Hoboken, this team and the values they reflect are in New Jersey.

We've spent our summers at the shore. We've dealt with New Jersey Transit and commuting for many years. And we've chosen this State for our families and for our growth.

But, it's not just the team here.

There are dozens of others currently working behind us. We also bring an incredible amount of strength, experience, and commitment from our parent companies.

Who is Total Energies and Corio?

Two sponsors of Attentive Energy 2. Total Energies and Corio represent global offshore experience and resources and an incredible track record not only globally, but also here in New Jersey for economic development. Total Energies ambitions of being an NCR company by 2050 are ambitious, but they're also real. Total Energies is the fifth largest renewable developer in the United States today. We're active in dozens of states with thousands of employees, hundreds here in New Jersey already working.

Corio Generation has the largest offshore wind development portfolio in the world.

They are backed by Macquarie and have strong infrastructure experience.

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This isn't a partnership that we came up with yesterday. It's a tried and true partnership that's being represented across multiple development projects around the world today. We have 11 gigawatts of offshore wind we're currently working on together. From South Korea, Taiwan, and the United Kingdom, Total Energies and Corio have been doing business today. In New Jersey, Total Energies has been invested in Linden, Trenton, and extensive work on solar developments in the Delaware Valley. With Macquarie's influence, we've been also active in working on a number of infrastructure projects, including major terminals, the Outerbridge Crossing. We represent a current level of financial strength and commitment to the State and we do have business in New Jersey.

Now, excuse me for a second as I take an opportunity to talk about our neighbor across the river. We've also been active across the Hudson River in New York and we most recently were awarded and went through a very competitive process with NYSERDA in their third offshore wind solicitation winning as Attentive Energy 1. I

1 mention that because it creates a certain level of 2 validation in a very competitive process where we 3 competed against incumbents and those who have spent 4 years within the market. We were chosen as 5 Attentive Energy 1 by NYSERDA, not just as a sole, 6 as one of the three winners, but as the lead 7 developer for two clean energy manufacturing facilities in upstate New York. That's a big deal. 8 9 It's a big deal to us. And we feel that their 10 confidence further supports our opportunities in 11 developing offshore wind here in New Jersey. We'll 12 get into that a little more today to understand what 13 those synergies are and how that will prove to 14 benefit New Jersey. 15 First let me just mention that it 16 does 25 Let's really talk about Attentive

1 Energy 2, as I know you've all had the opportunity 2 to read our proposal and have questions today. This 3 is a 1.3 gigawatt project with over 600,000 homes 4 requiring clean energy, \$12 billion in economic 5 activity. 13 Our approach is statewide and 14 that's important to continue to reflect on, because 15 it brings the entire State with us in order to 16 develop. We just announced this week our intent to, if successful, scaling an 18 opportunity to support energy affordability for a 19 20 number of people and families that don't have that type of support with our Attentive Energy program 21 22 that will further fund that out. 24 This is New Jersey. It is truly the State of 25 innovation. This is the home of Edison, Bell Labs.

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     expect them to come to you. You have to get out to
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success, Let me close by saying that the team before you stands ready to provide more details and clarify any points to support this process. thank you again for your consideration of our proposal and at this time to discuss it even further. Thank you and we look forward to your questions.

MR. FERRIS: All yours.

MR. LEVITAN: Thank you for that opening statement. I think it really puts in perspective the totality of your proposal and the additional information that you've provided through enthusiastic and precise CQ responses. I want to echo Jim's expression of gratitude. We know that it's not easy pulling together these applications and submittals and we have stressed you, I'm sure,

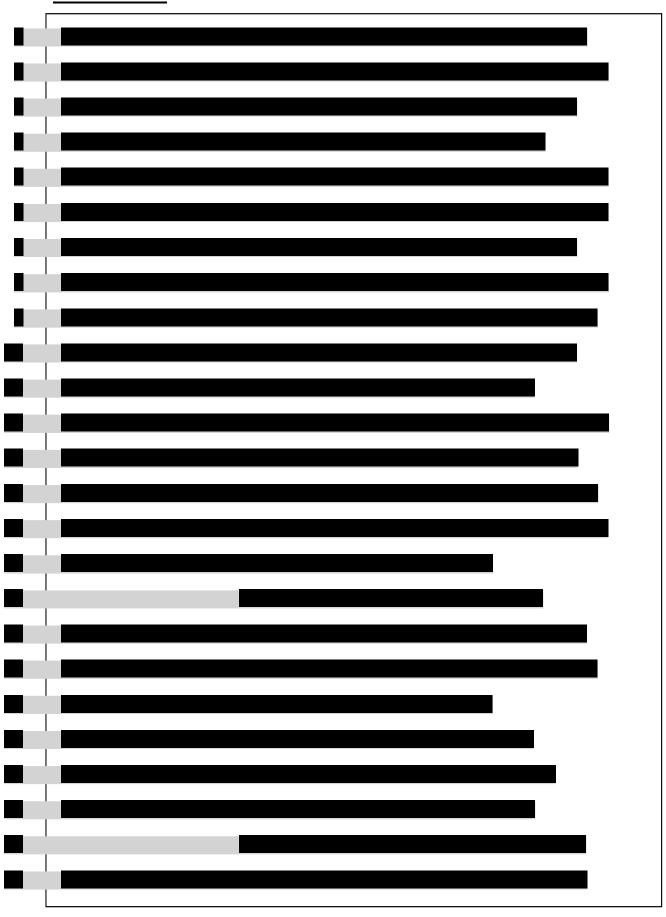
from time to time, with the CQ requests. So, we do, as advisor to Board Staff and on Board Staff's behalf, want to recognize the extra effort that goes into the professionalism that you have clearly featured every step along the way.

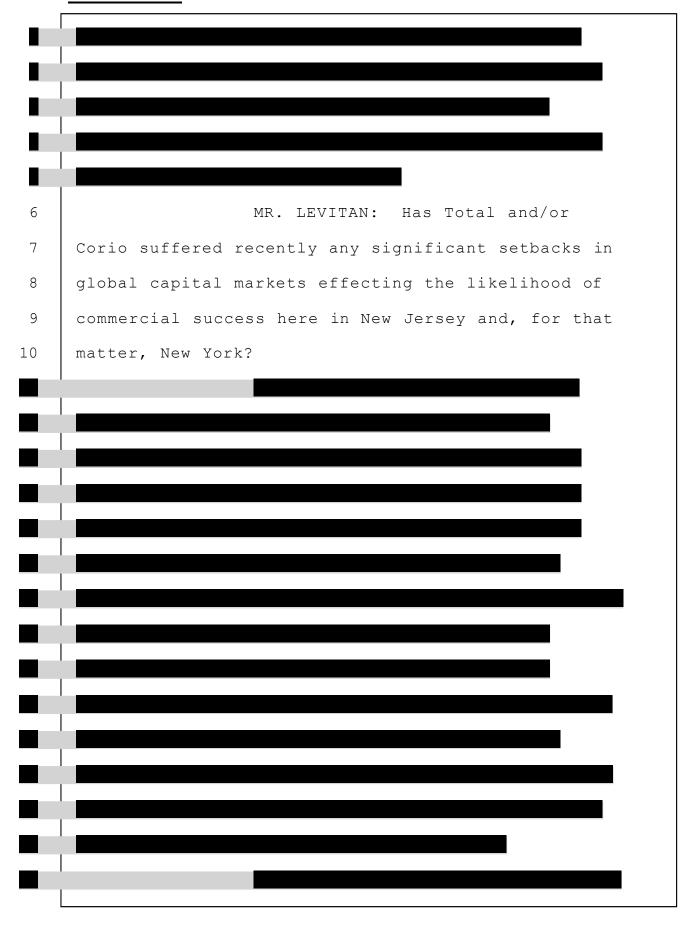
We do have a lot of questions.

There's a typo on the agenda. We're not bound in this first batch of questions to ten minutes. It is probable we'll go well beyond that and that's okay. We'll keep our eye on the clock in terms of trying to get close to the two hour wrap, but we have a unique opportunity today to discuss things that should be both pleasant and unpleasant from time to time, so why don't we get started.

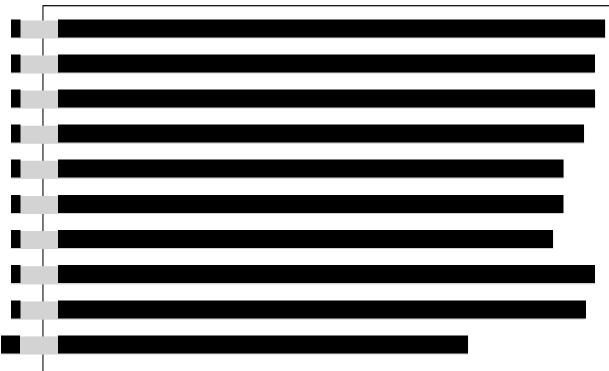
and Corio's competing uses of its balance sheet strength of renewable energy development around the world? You know that you've got 11 gigawatts of offshore wind under development and presumably that 11 gig representation was before the recent NYSERDA award. So, it's going up. You're in South Korea. You're in Taiwan. You're in the UK. You've got a lot going on around the world. 11 gigawatts and 40 gigawatts is underdeveloped and that number is a number that will continue to increase with global

1 awards. 2 So, in light of your success and your very ambitious offshore wind development goals 3 4 around the world and on the other side of the Hudson River, how can the Board be sure its reliance on 5 Attentive is a smart choice? 6 7 MS. WITTMAN: Thank you for the question. Again, I think that this is maybe a great 8 9 time to highlight the true strengths that Total 10 Energies and Corio as they're large global energy 11 companies bring towards this project. One 12 clarification that the 11 gigawatts joint 13 development does include the three gigawatts build 14 out of our Attentive Energy lease area and 21 And I'll turn it to James to give a 22 little bit more details. 23 MR. POOL: Thank you, Christen. 24 alluded to by Christen, Total Energies and Corio as 25 well, I'll speak to Total for the moment, has made



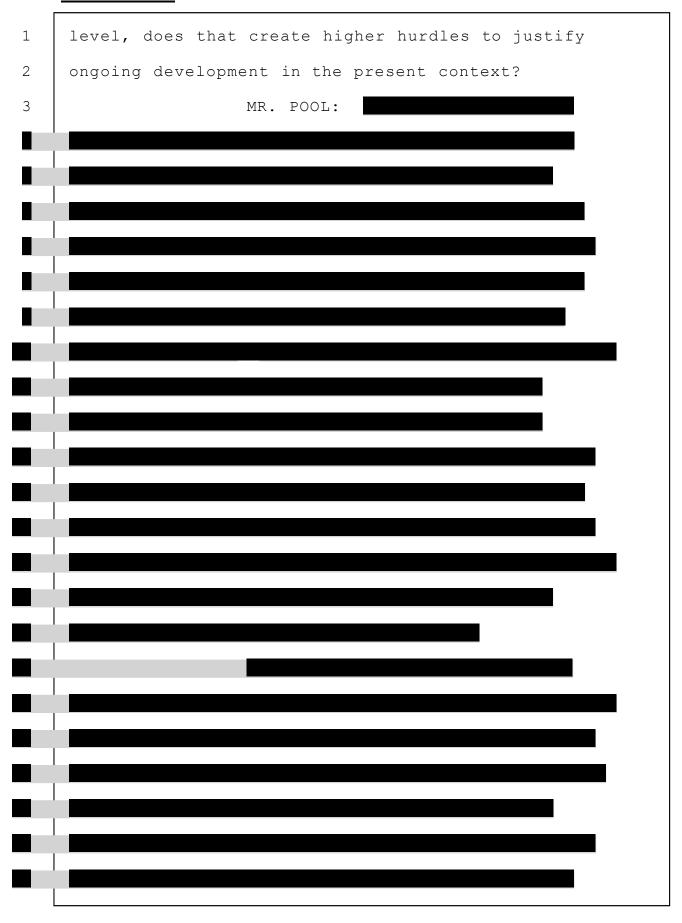


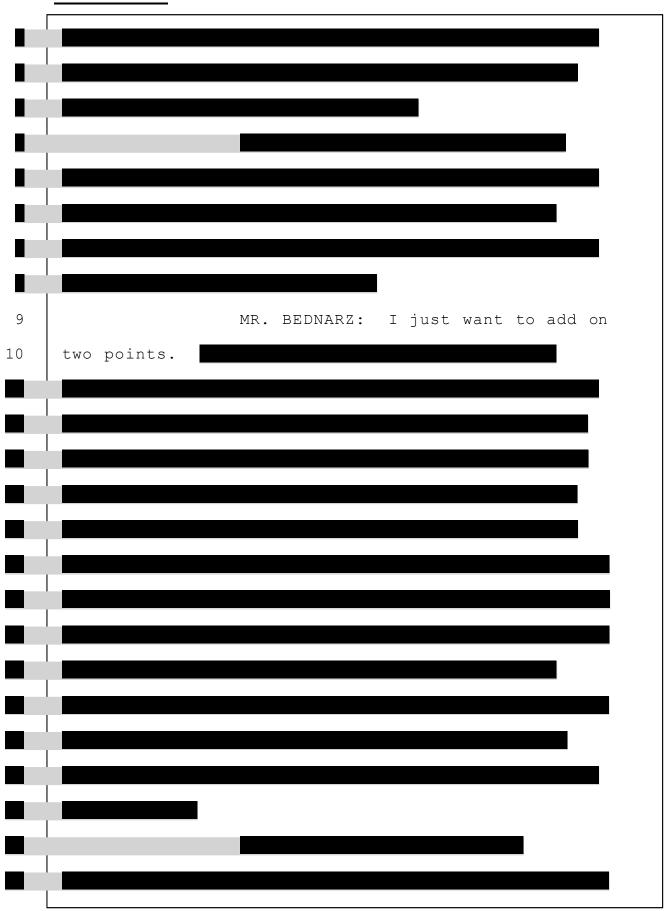
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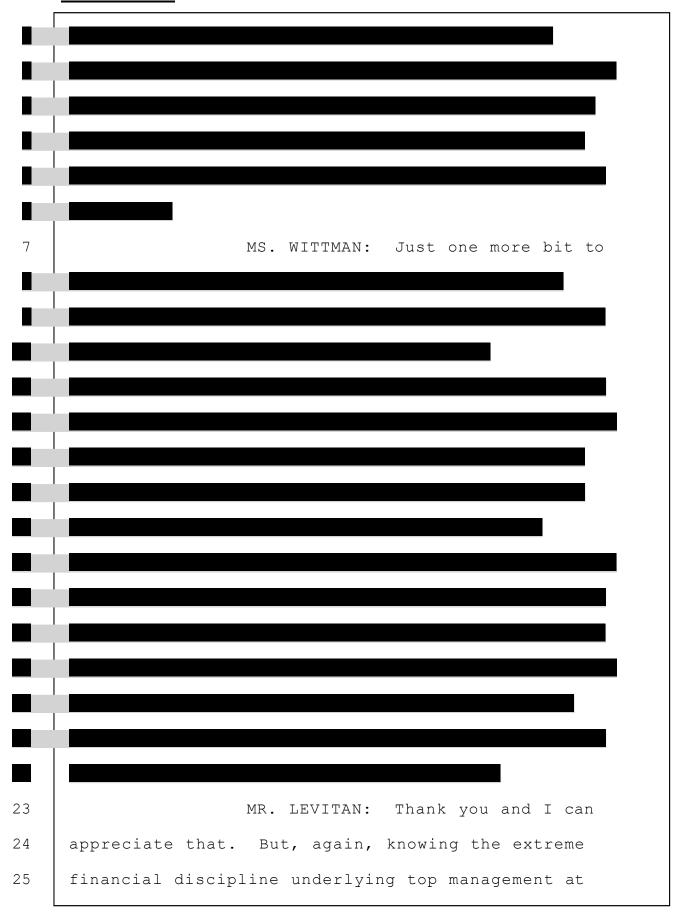


MR. LEVITAN: Thank you. I confess to not having been quite familiar or satisfied with my level of familiarity with Corio's background in the financial balance sheet strength. So, thank you for the information that you've provided.

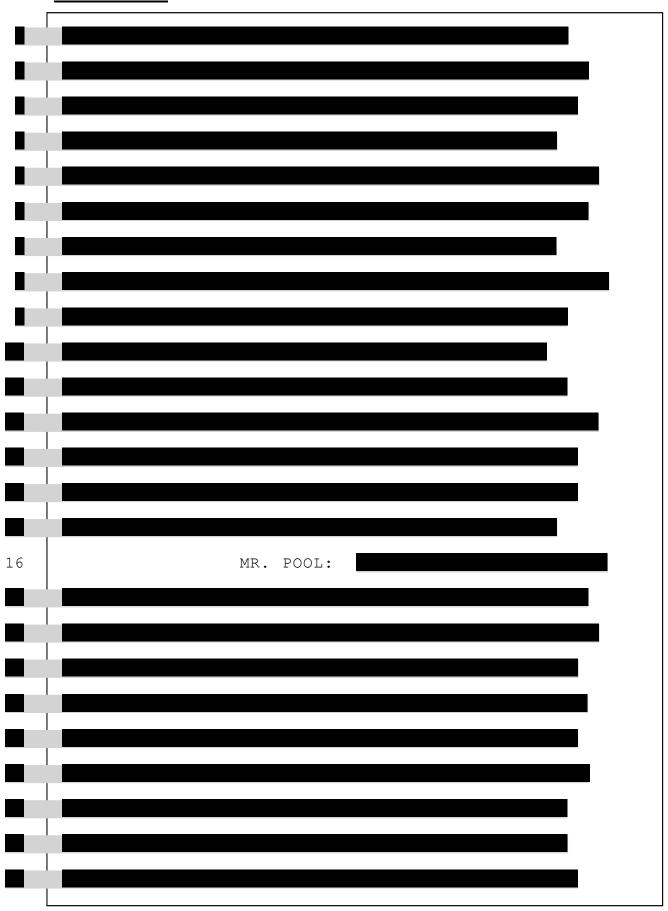
But, I am wondering whether there's a paradox here, if there's, like, a global squeeze on Total, since your main business is oil and gas production, and there are global pressures to lessen that production. Does that, my understanding with Total, and I am familiar with the firm, is that Total is a financial juggernaut and has extreme discipline in its capital allocations and financial requirements. So, if there is ongoing pressure in regard to oil and gas production at the parent



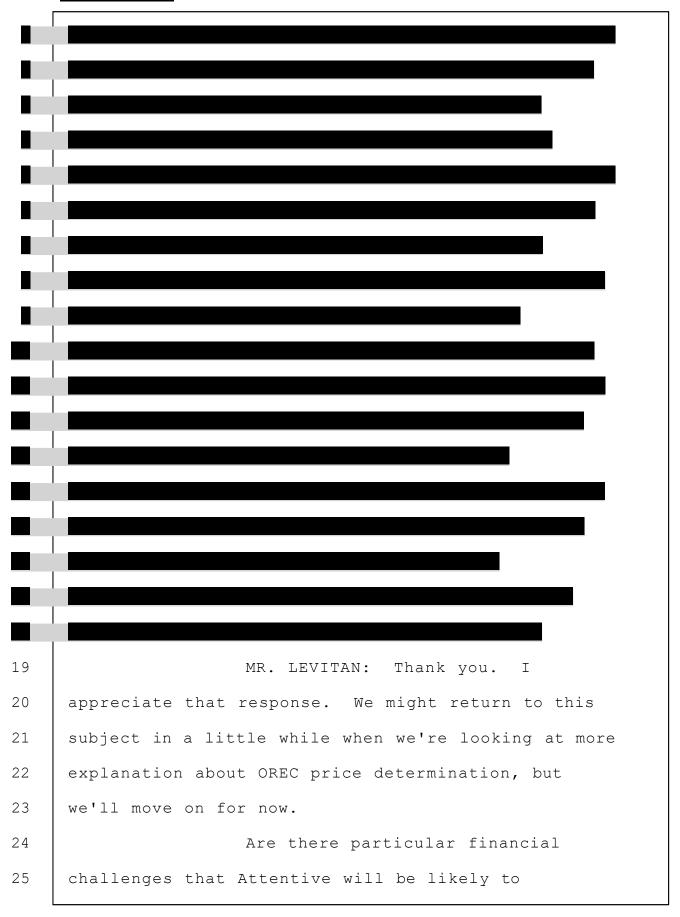




1 Total, and presumably Corio, too, you have tens of 2 billions of dollars in play with the various 3 offshore wind projects around the world. I assume 4 that you don't just calculate your expected return 5 on this project and forget it. Presumably it's 6 regularly updated as more information is gotten and 7 management needs assurance that the project expectations are on track. 8 9 So, I'm just trying to understand 10 whether it's a bottomless pit of contingent equity 11 or, instead, whether there is tolerance for an 12 erosion of expected or risk adjusted return relative 13 to what you have engrained in your OREC offer price 14 to begin with. And if there is a tolerance for an 15 erosion in that return, what that tolerance is. 16 it tight or is it substantial? Or given, again, the 17 discipline of top management at Total, is there intolerance? 18 19 MS. WITTMAN:

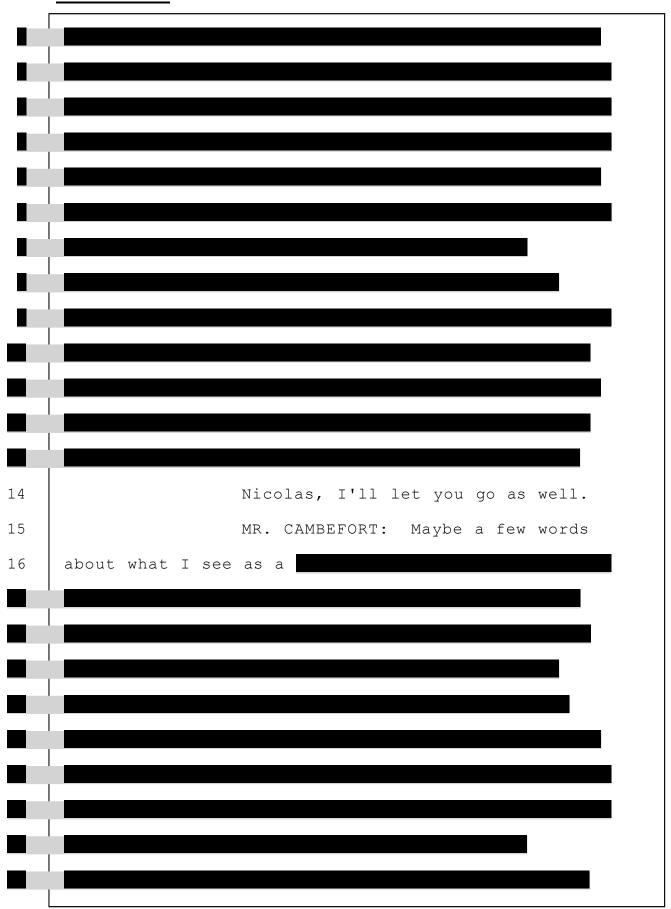


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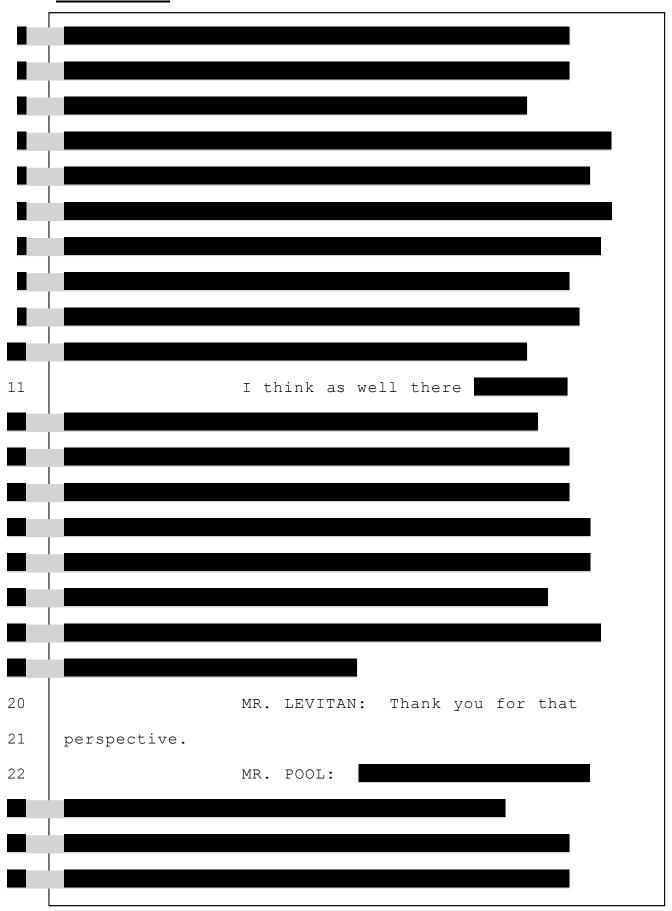


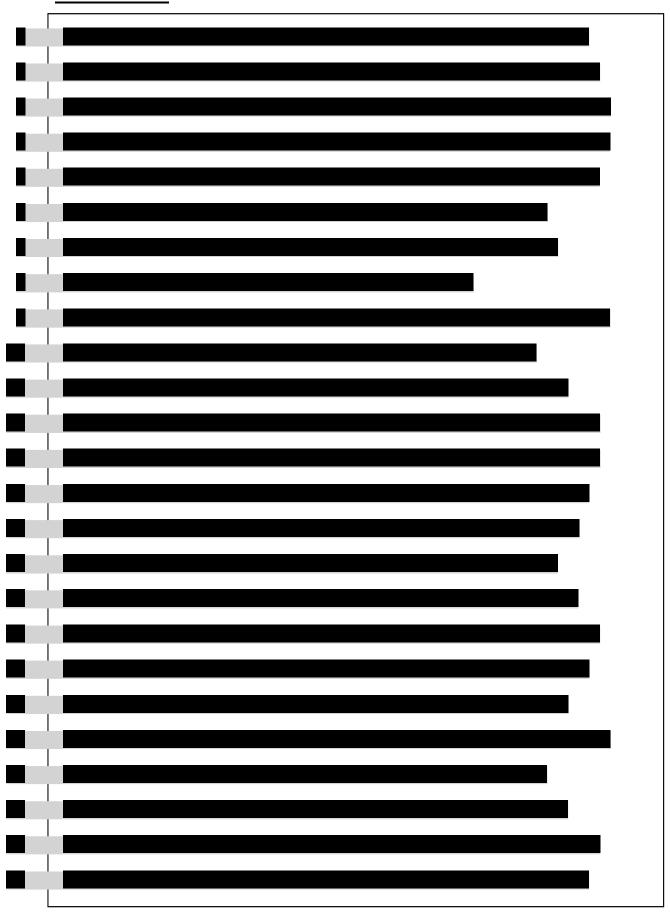
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     Nicholas? Nicholas, can you hear me?
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                      MR. CAMBEFORT: Yes.
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                      MR. POOL: I'm going to, I'll say a
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     few words about this and then we'll throw it to you.
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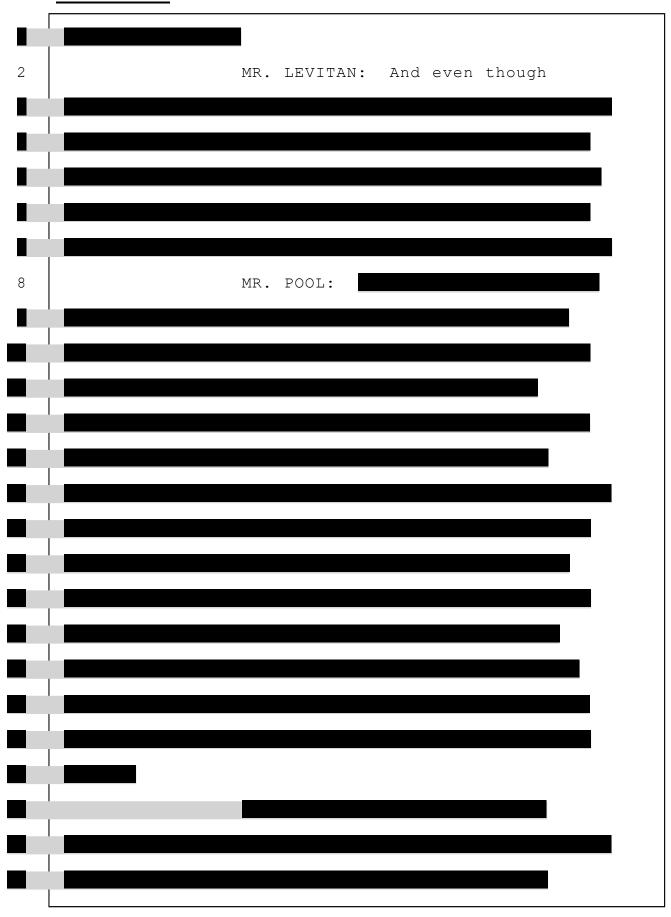
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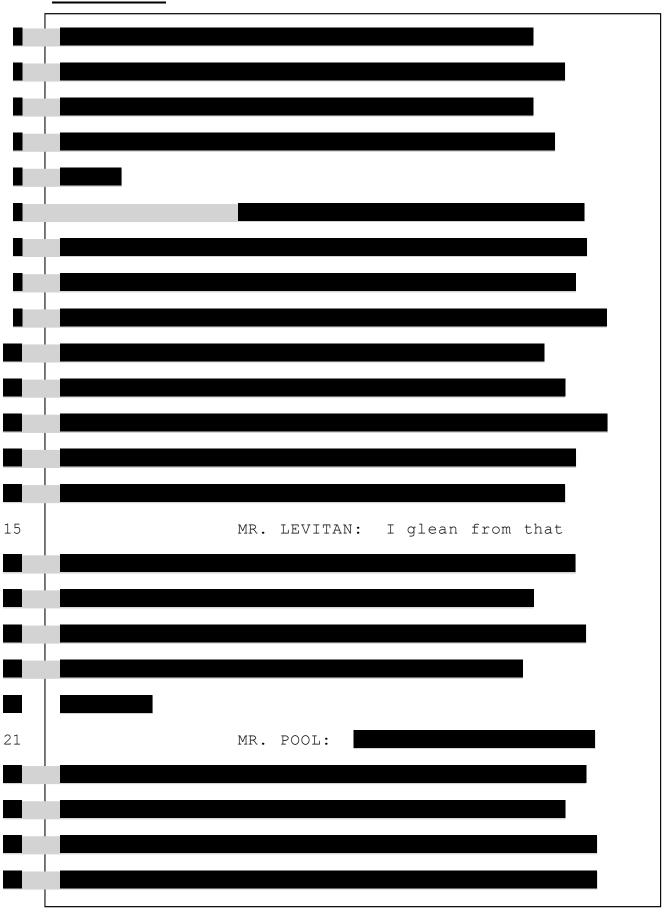


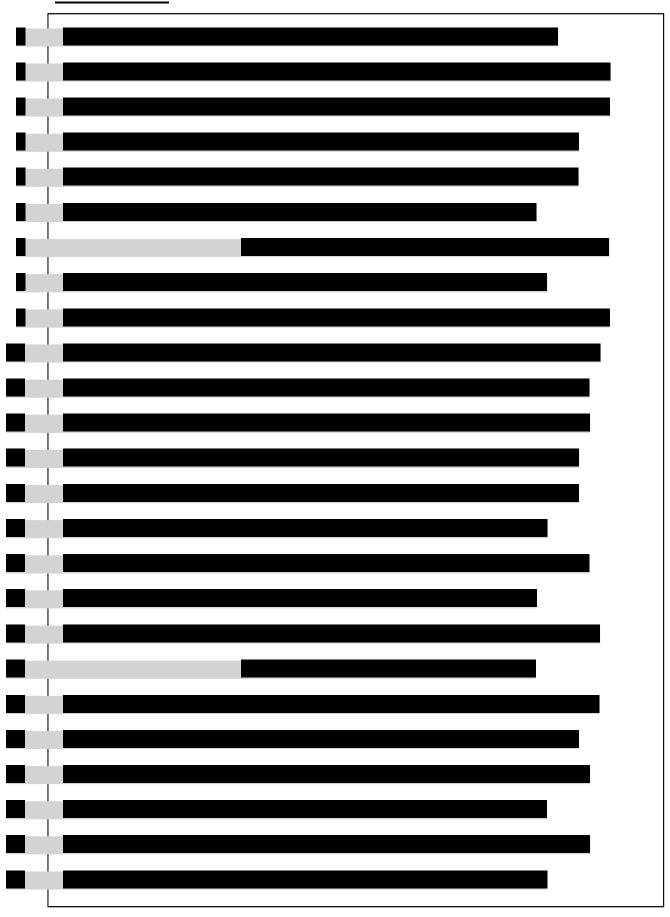
4 MR. LEVITAN: Thank you. It seems 5 like a 8 In light of the current subtraction 9 of the Ocean Wind 1 and 2 projects and other rumored 10 attrition in the US marketplace, mid-Atlantic, New 11 York, New England, are there any pitfalls that you 12 wish to note effecting your ability to proceed as planned in New Jersey? 13 14 MR. POOL: 16 MR. LEVITAN: Supply chain, 17 financing, mobilization of the requisite expertise to get the traction needed in the next few years. 18 19 MS. WITTMAN:





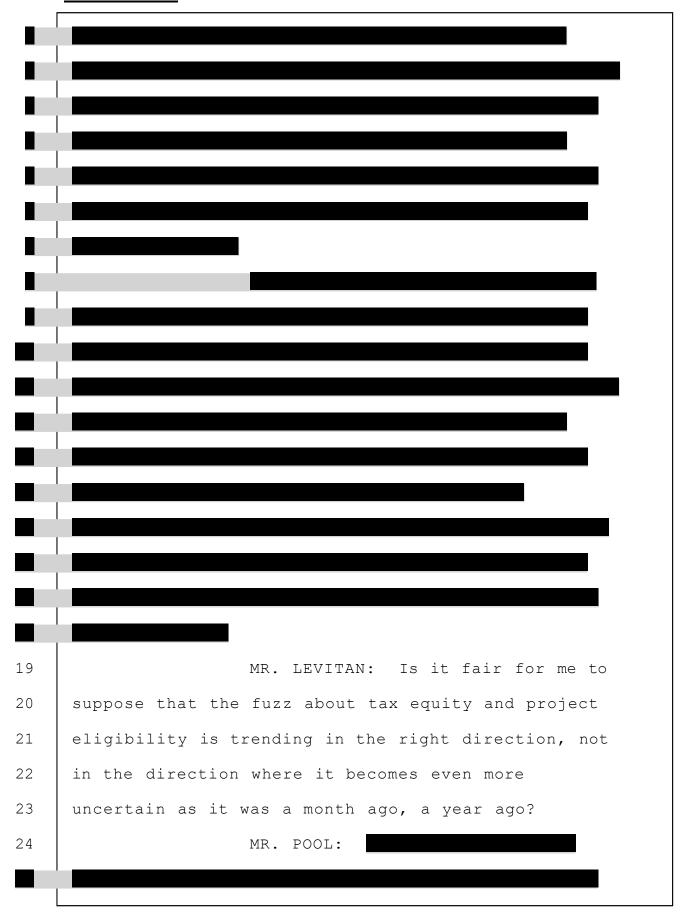






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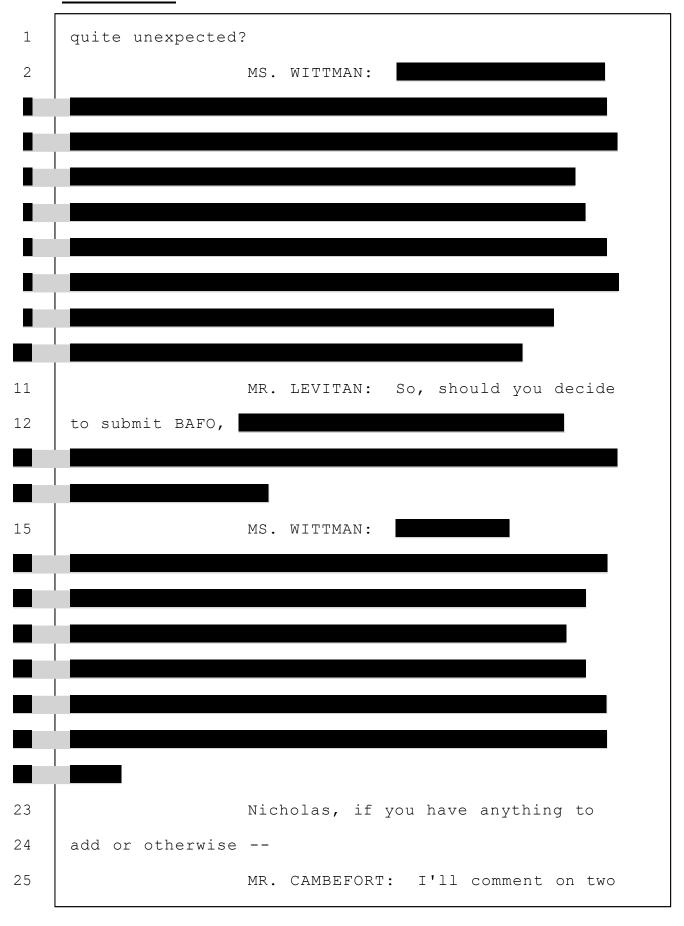
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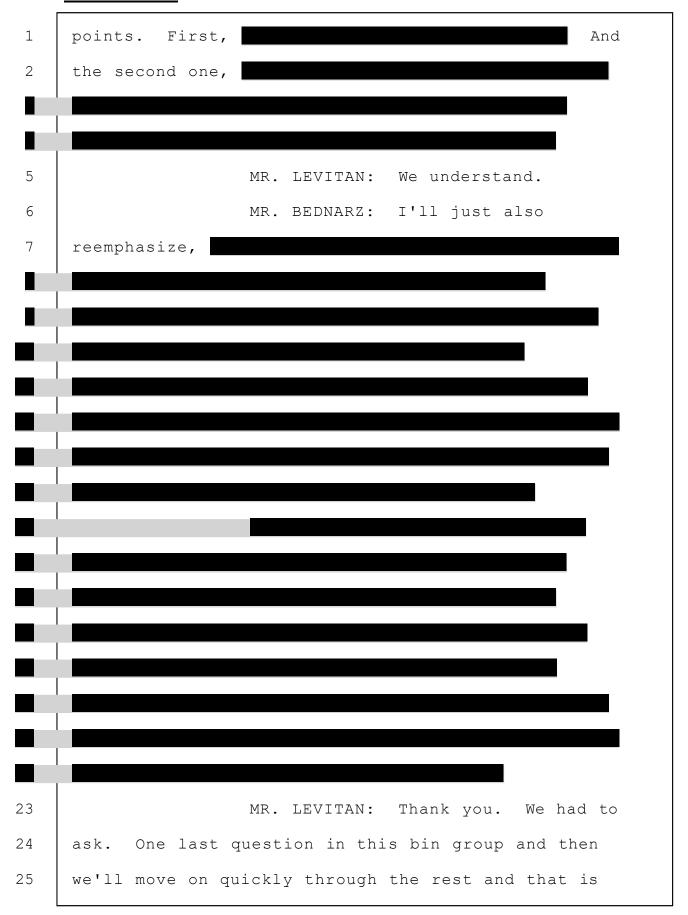




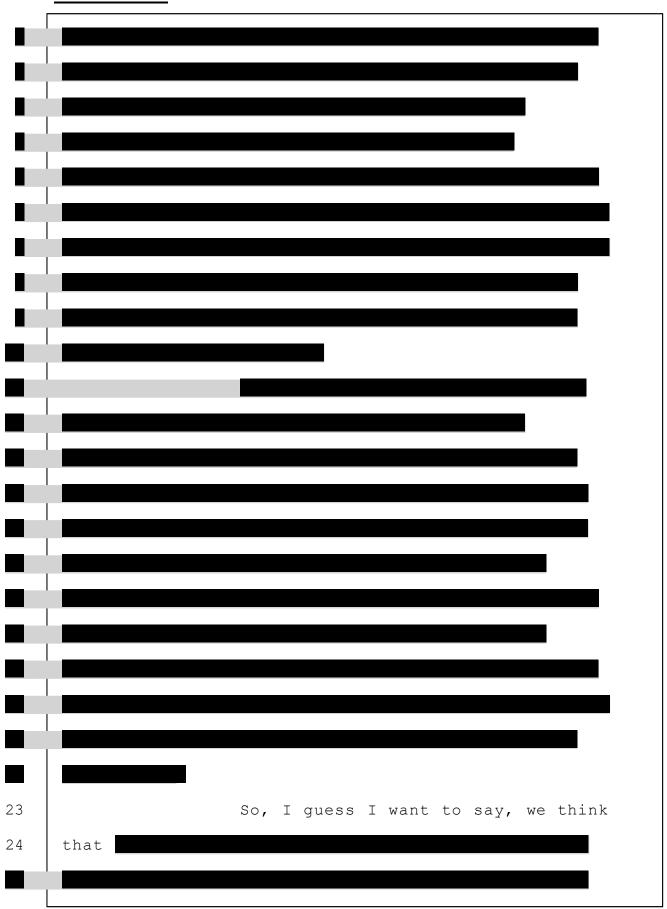
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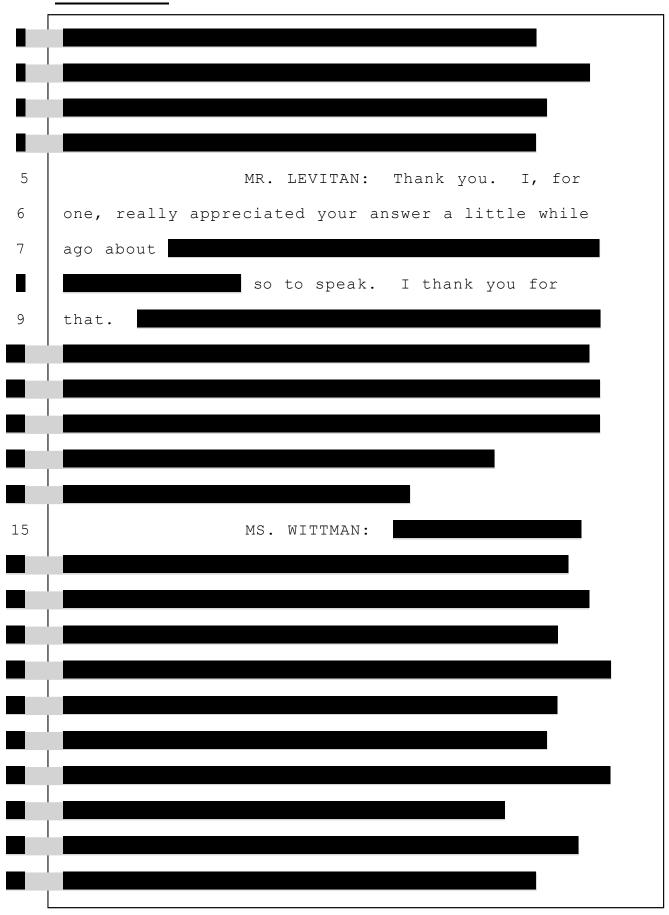
Thank you. I want to go back for a minute to Ocean Wind and I'm wondering if, when you hear things, as you might imagine, I'm wondering if Attentive is presently picking through the detritus or discards stemming from Orsted's cancellation of the two projects for potential use and supply arrangements, transmission rights, component parts, O&Ms, staging and conformance. I mean, it's a list of things that may be up for grabs if there is a fire sale. Are you looking at opportunities and, if you are, can you tell us just a little bit about what those opportunities are? And while you're at it, could you tell us whether or not those opportunities might be of use to New Jersey ratepayers since this is all

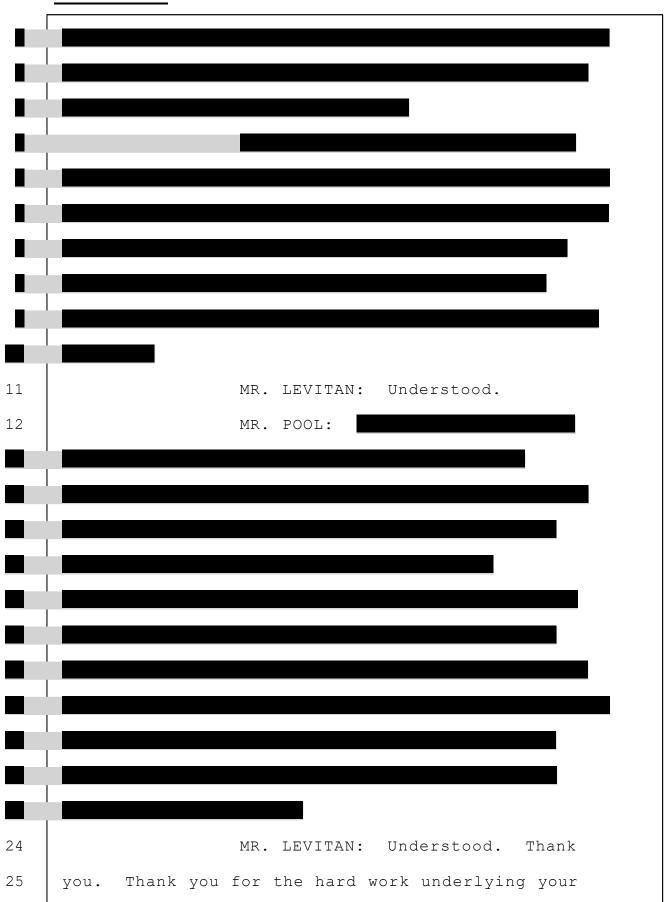




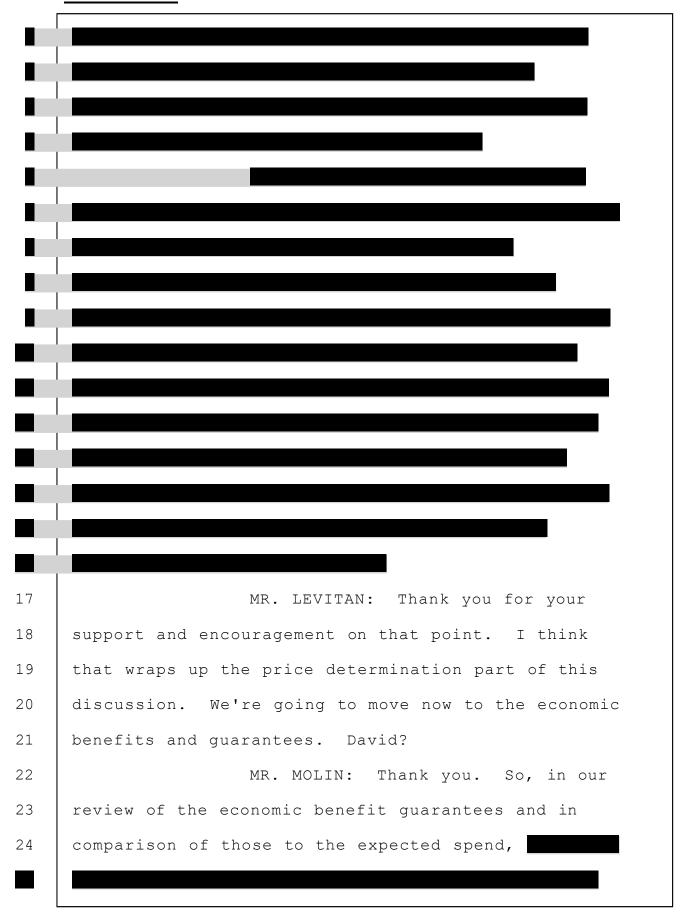
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                      MR. GREENE: Hi, Murray Greene.
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                      MR. LEVITAN: Thank you. So, let's
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     move briefly through the next bin group. I think
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     we've touched on a lot of this already, regarding
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     adjustment mechanism and Board Staff worked really
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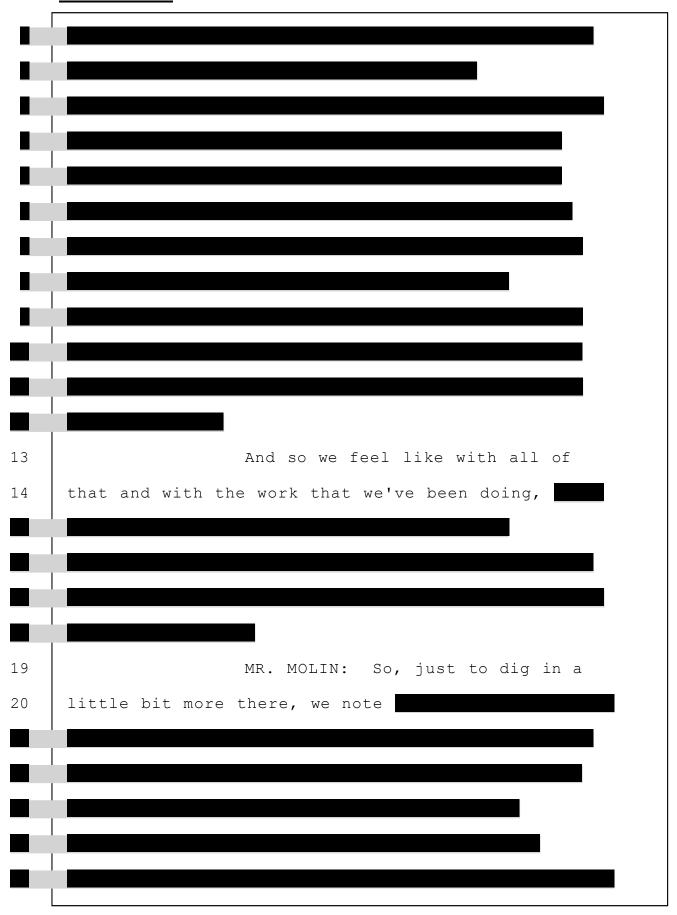


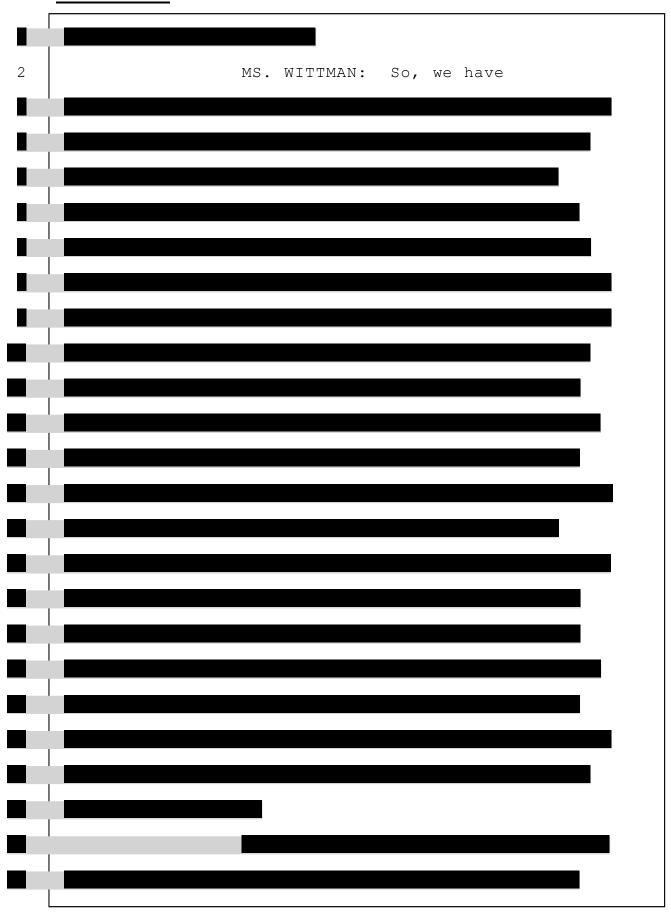


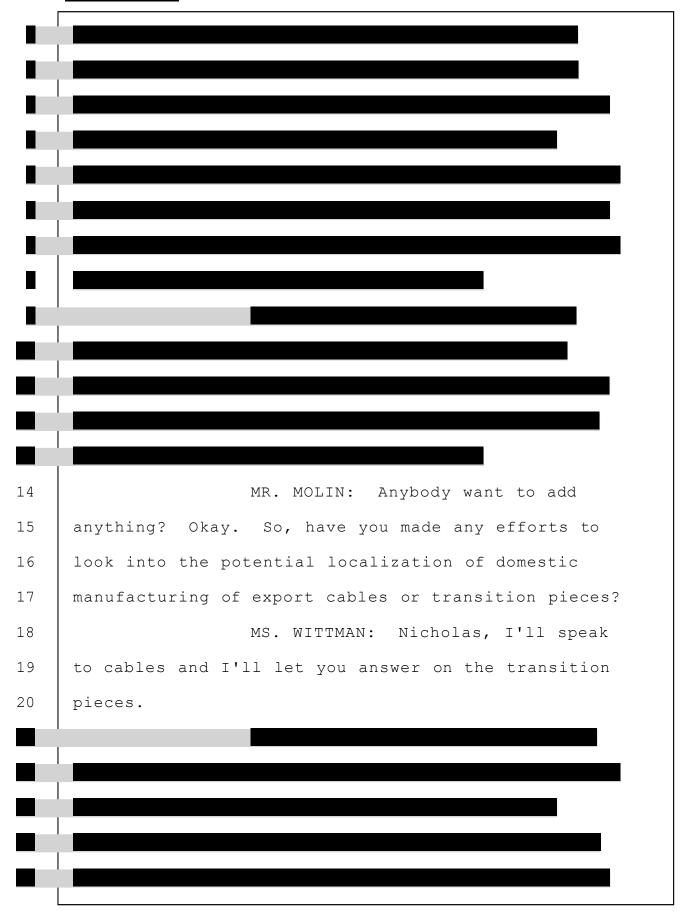
submission of the PBI. I hope your feelings are not 1 2 hurt that all PBI proposals have been rejected. And I'm wondering, in light of the Board's decision to 3 reject across the Board the PBI submissions, does 4 that effect anything that might be considered in the 5 decision to submit BAFO? 6 7 MS. WITTMAN:

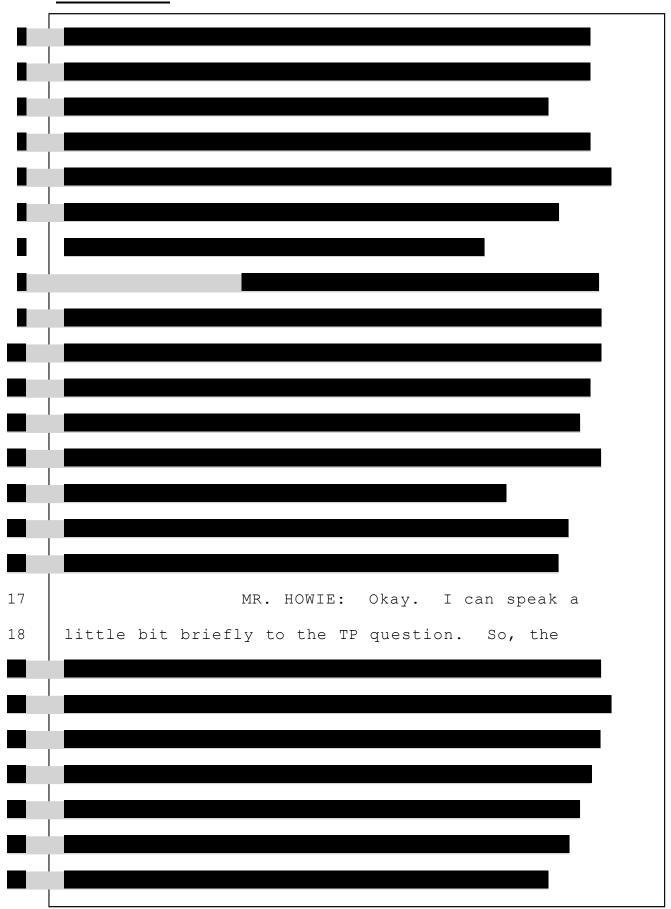


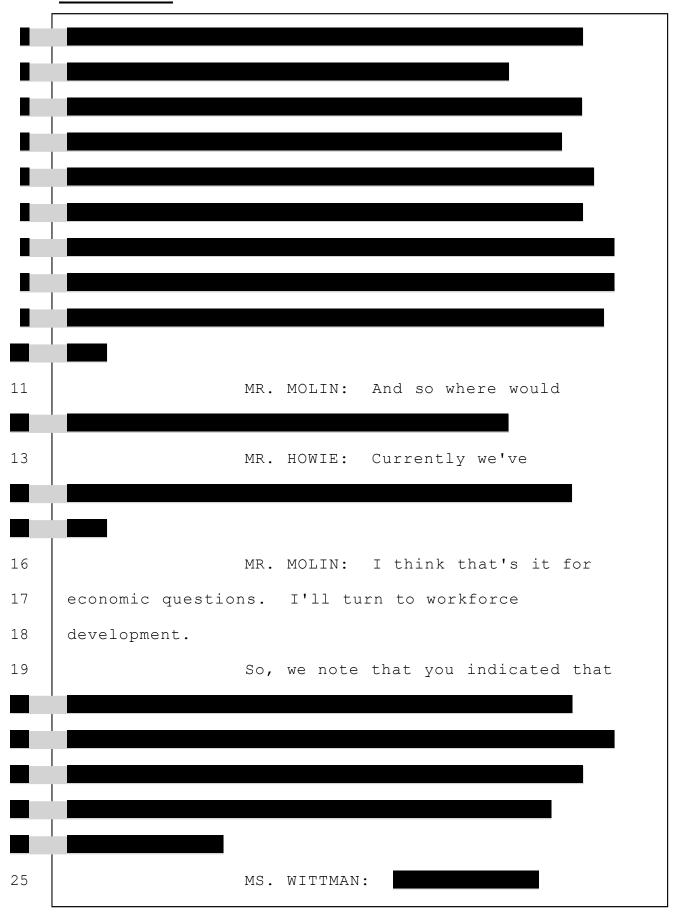
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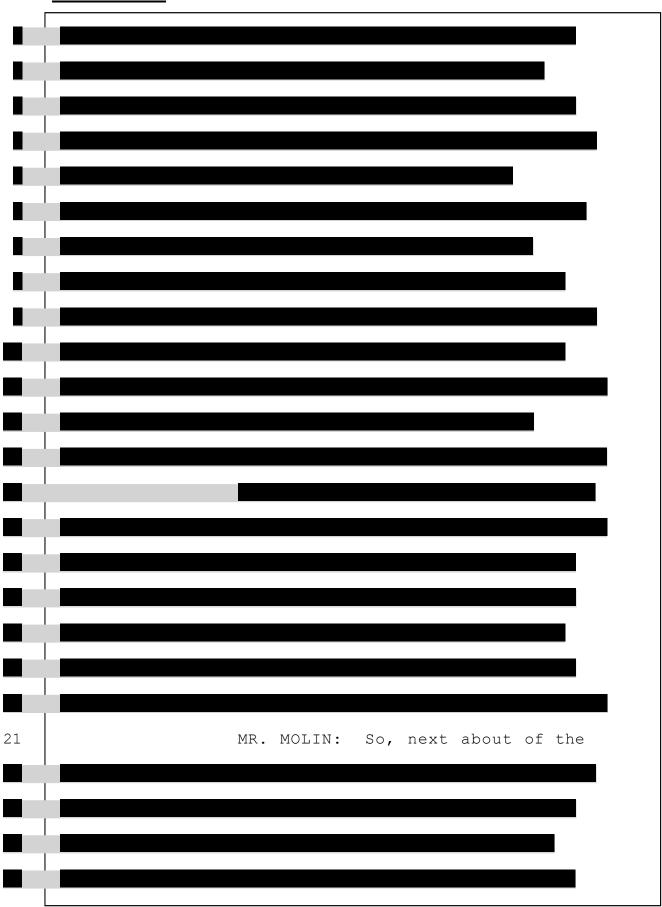


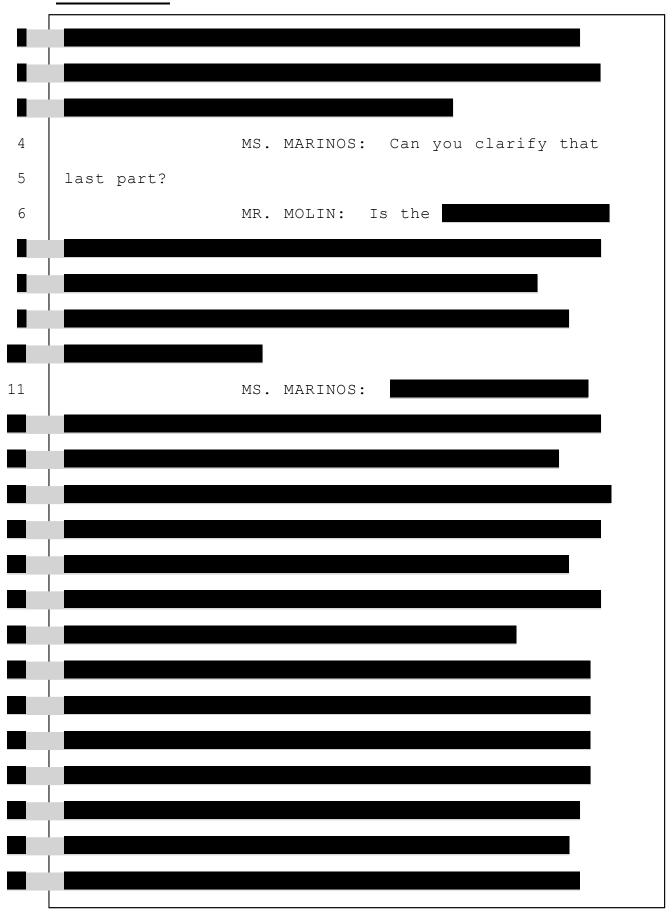


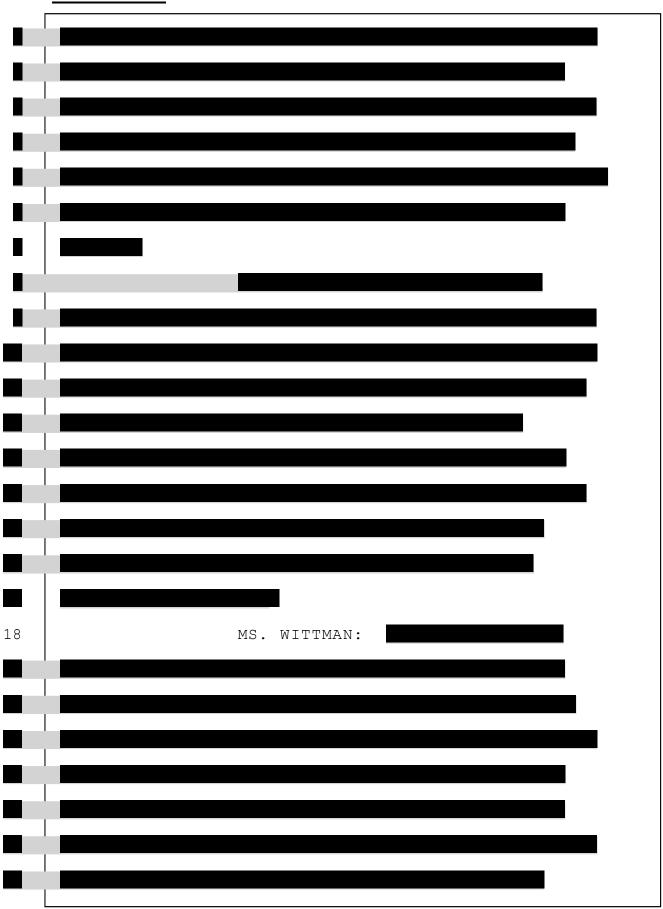


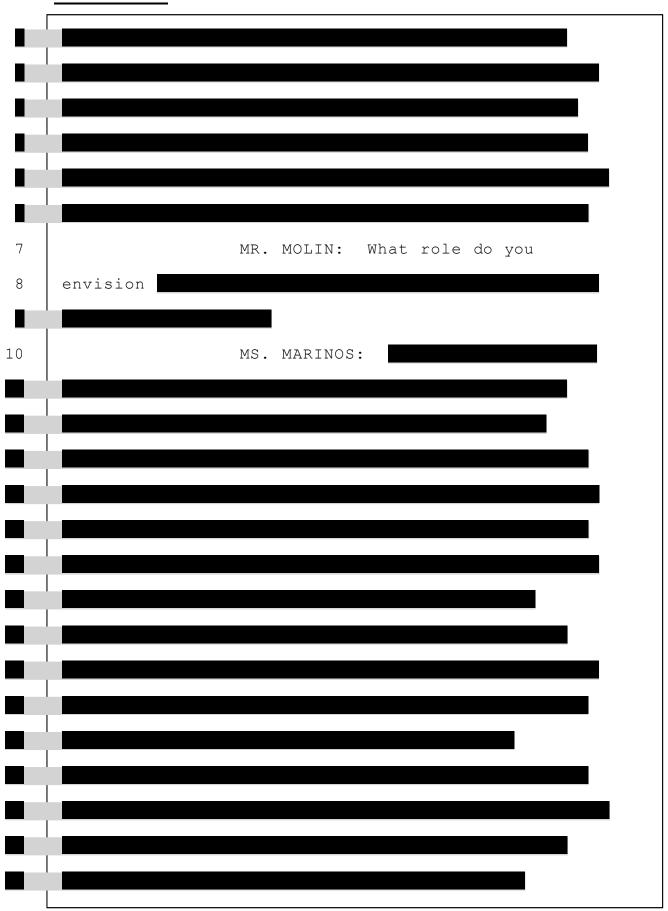




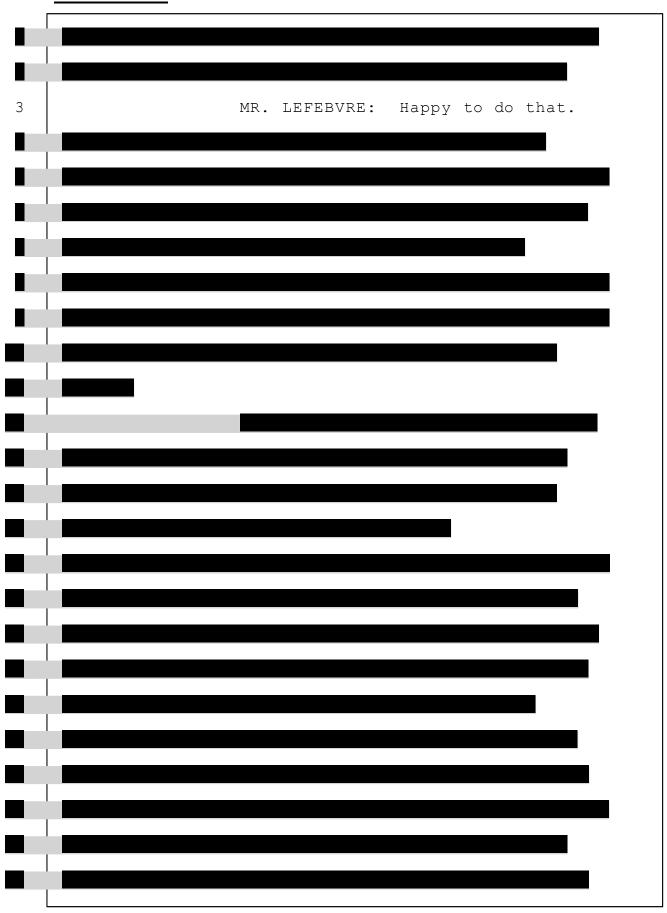


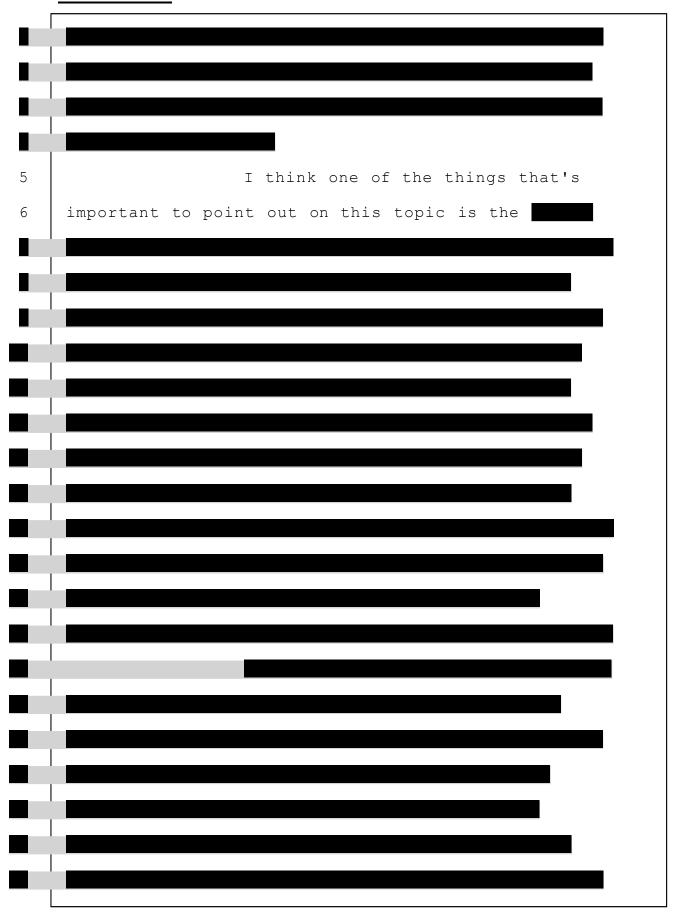


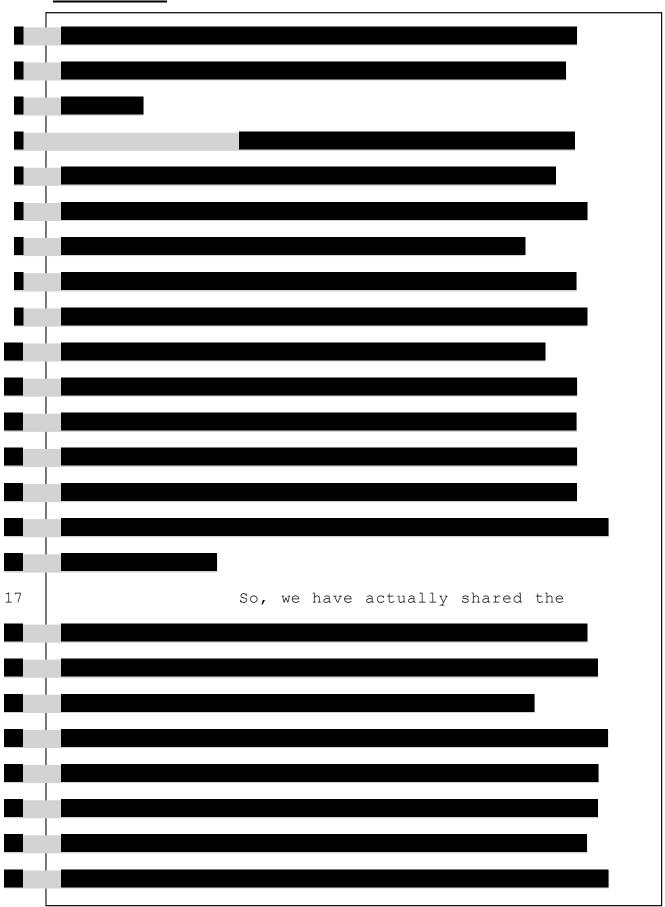


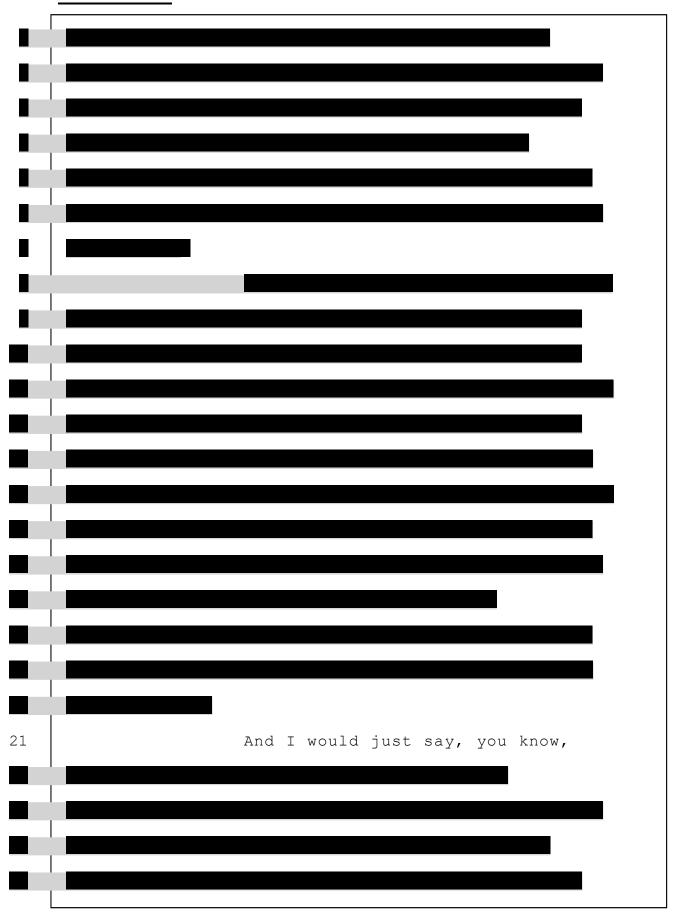


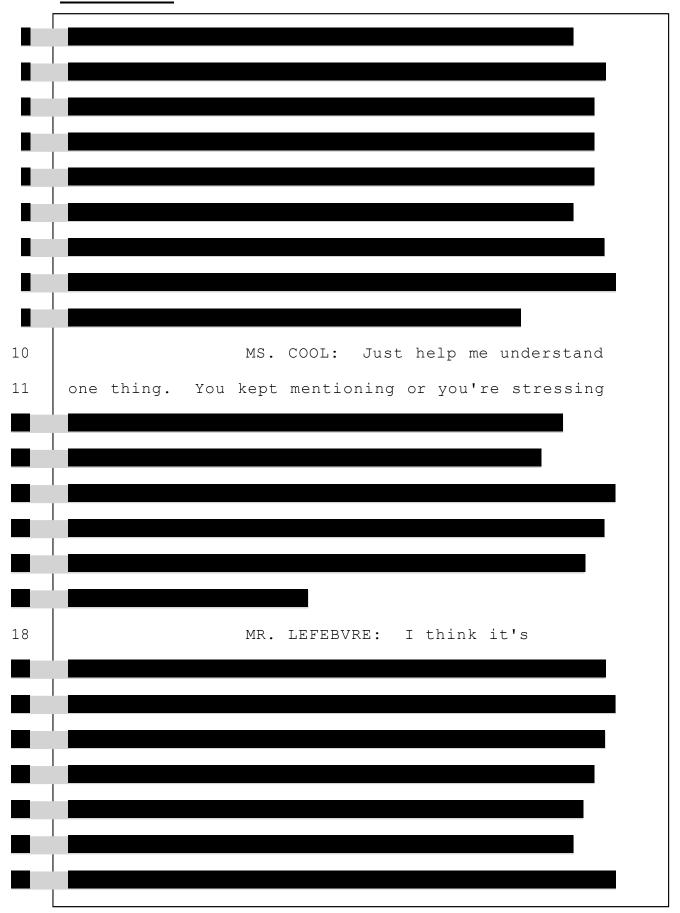
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                      MR. MOLIN: I think that wraps
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     things up for me.
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                      MR. FERRIS: Before you get
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     started, conscious of time, we still do have some
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     questions to get through, if we need it, can you
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     give us another 15 minutes this morning?
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                      MS. WITTMAN: Absolutely.
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                      MR. FERRIS: Great. Thank you.
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                      MS. COOL: I don't know if you want
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     to do any rearrangement of seats, but my questions
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     will be about your fisheries mitigation plan,
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     environmental mitigation plan, permitting issues,
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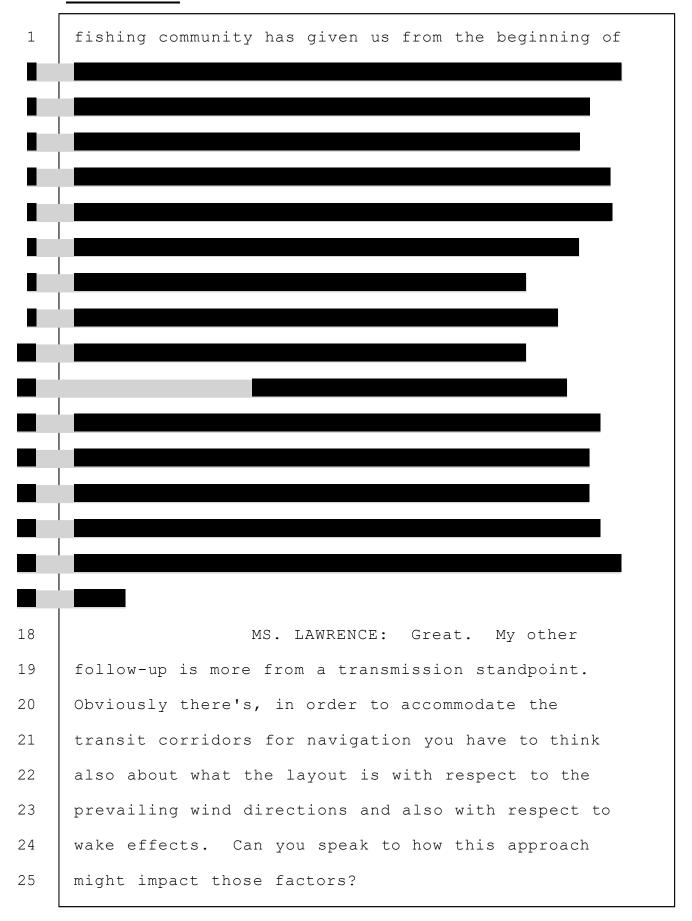


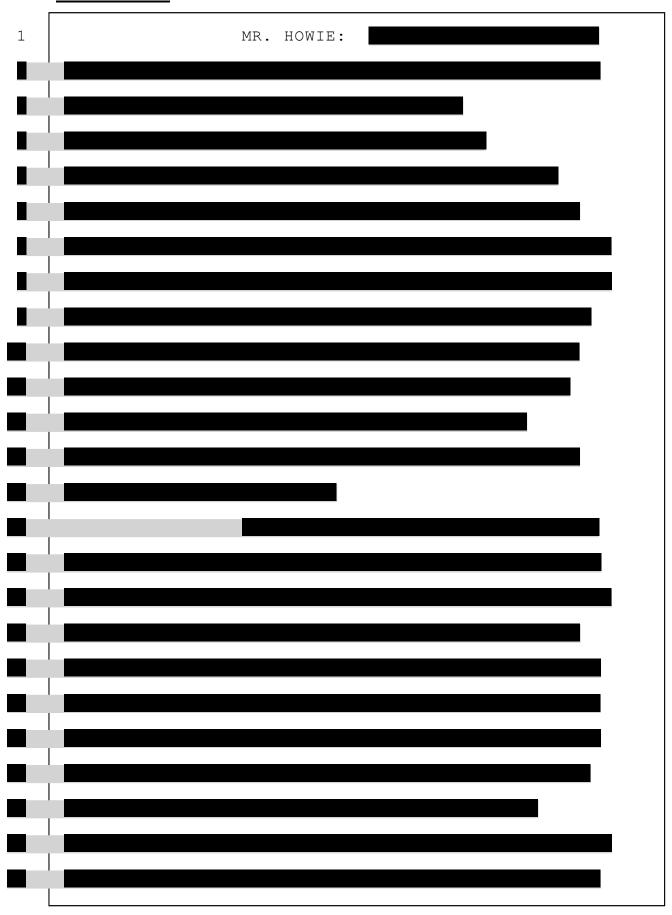


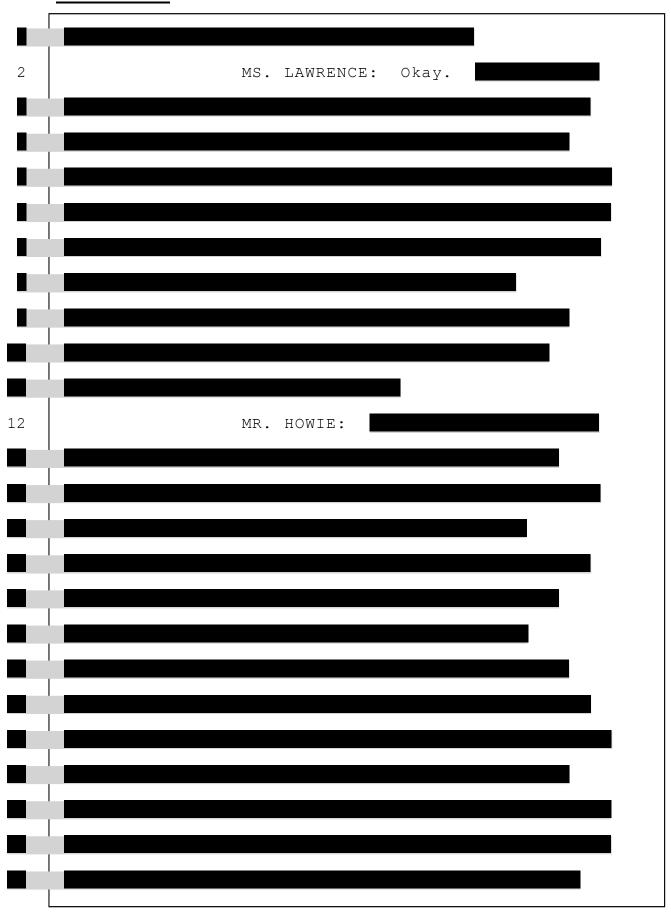


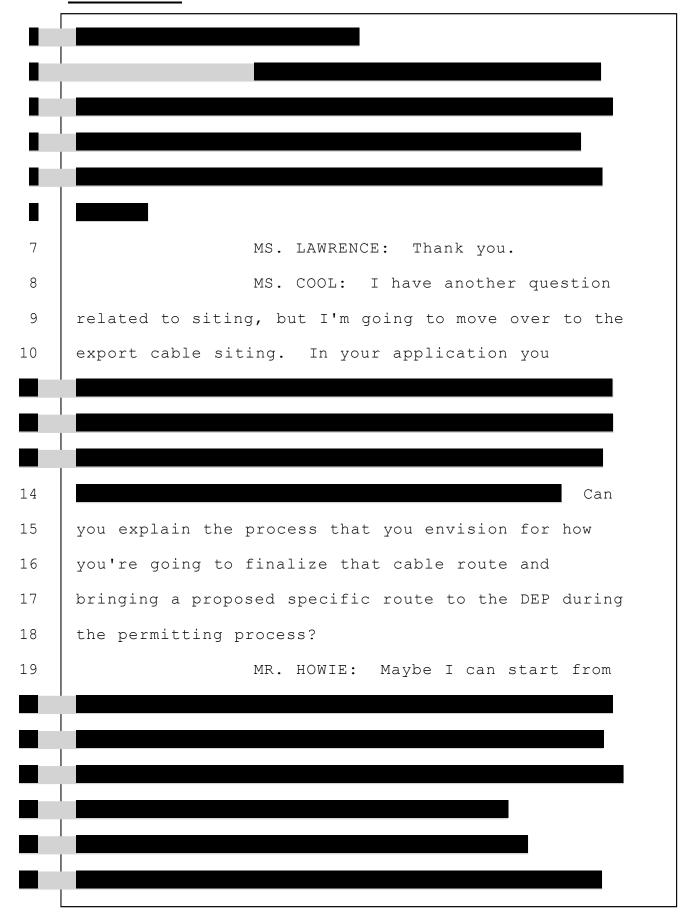
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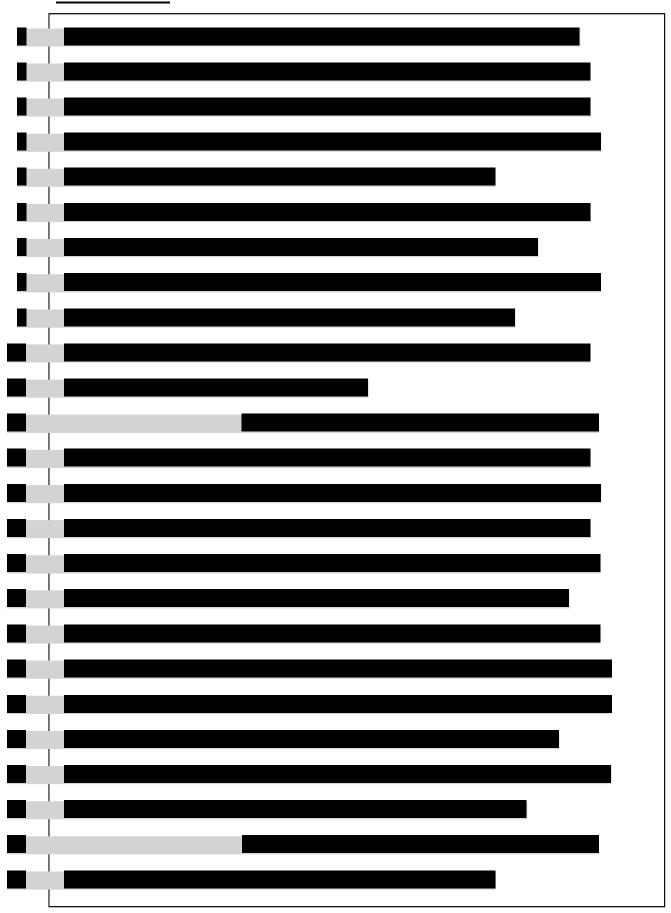
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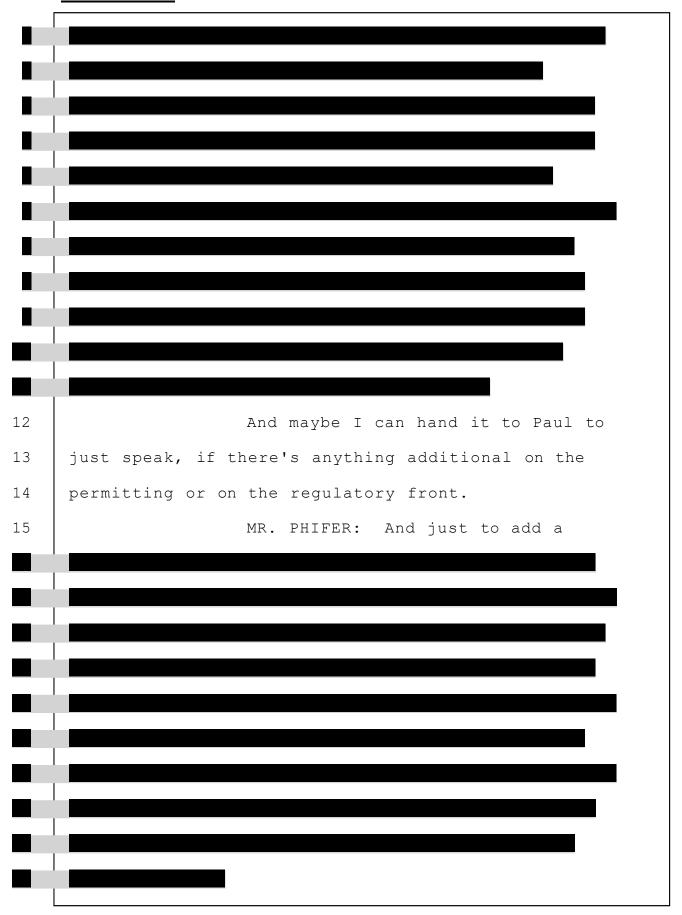




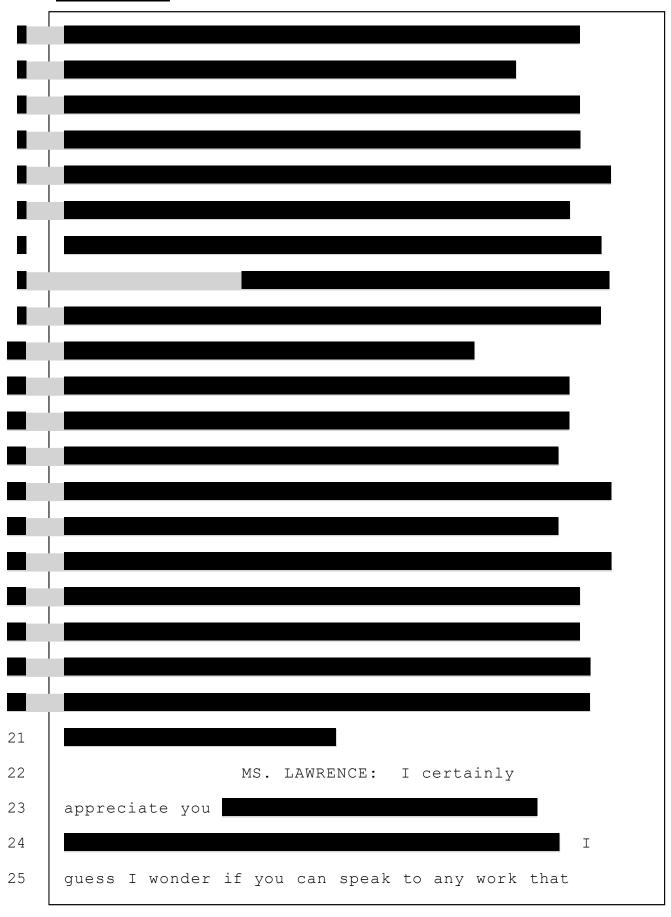


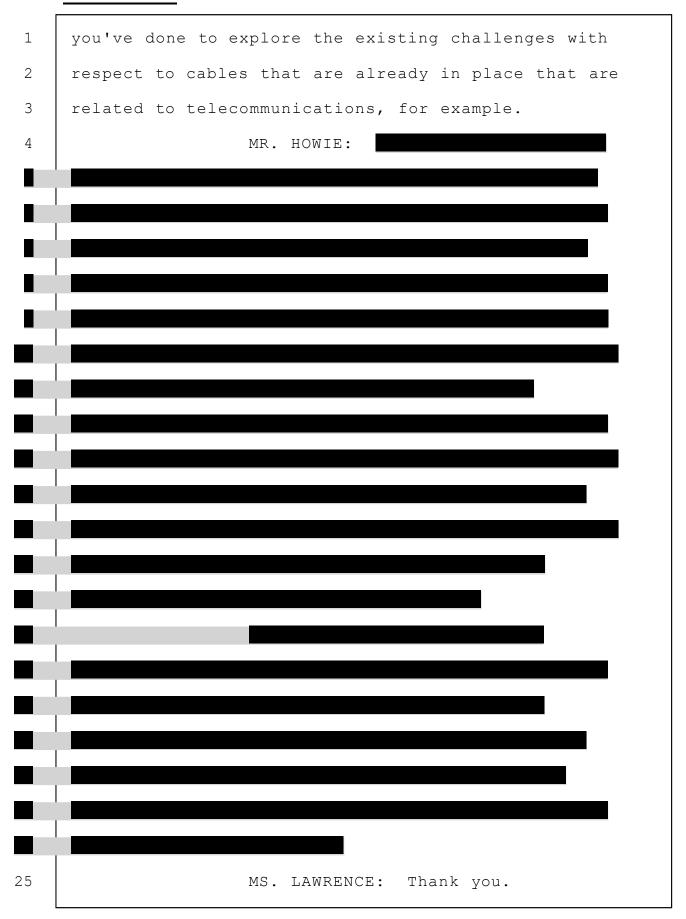


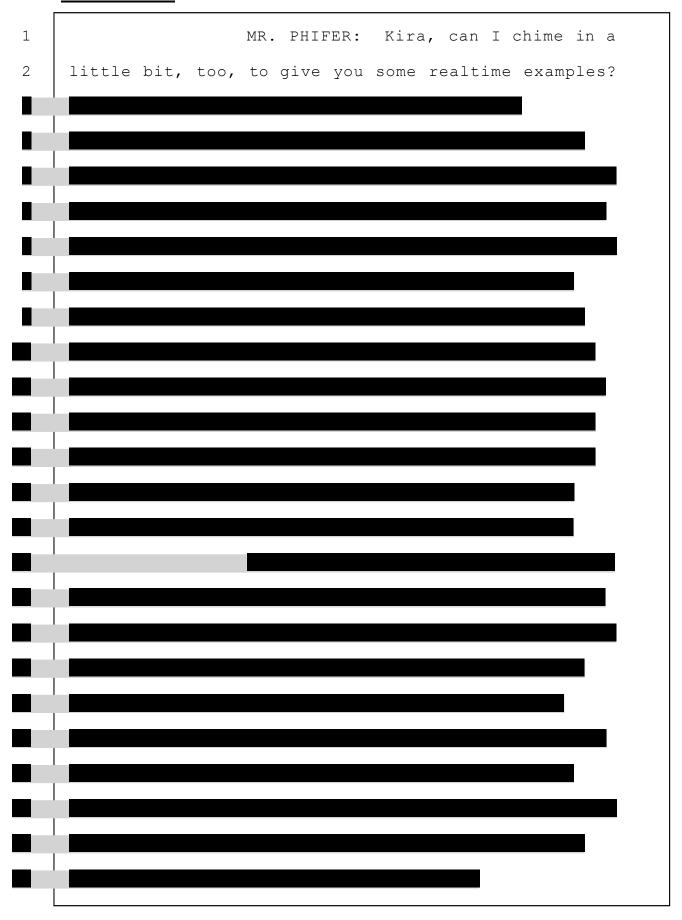


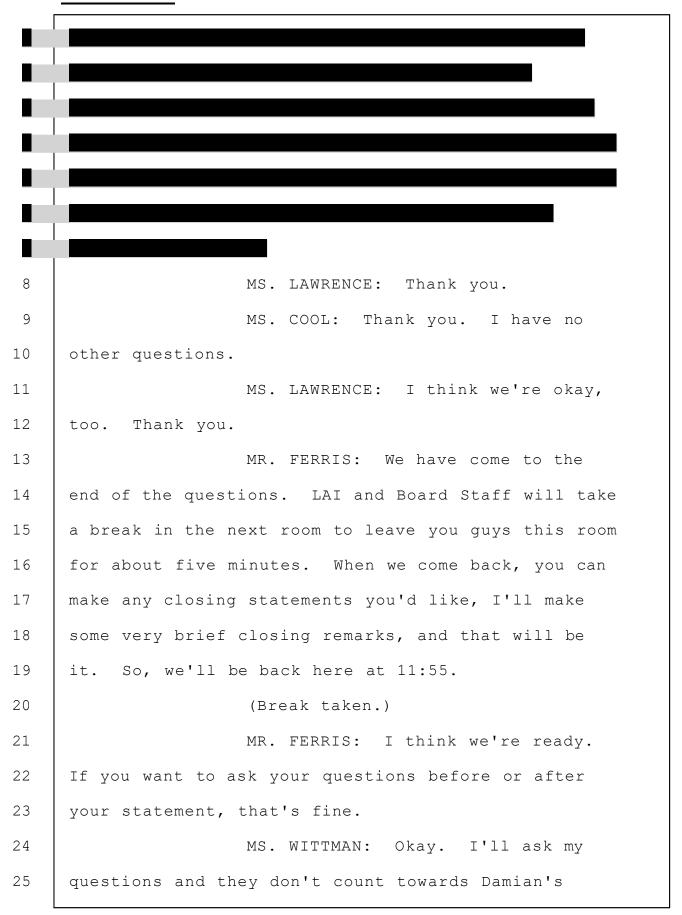


As you mentioned and as you said,
MS. LAWRENCE: Can I just follow-up
and ask you to speak a little bit to some of the
specific challenges you think might confront you as
you try to get from the offshore substation to the
landing point? You noted
whatnot, but can you, in terms of your specific
route that you're contemplating, what do you think
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MR. HOWIE: I can speak to it from

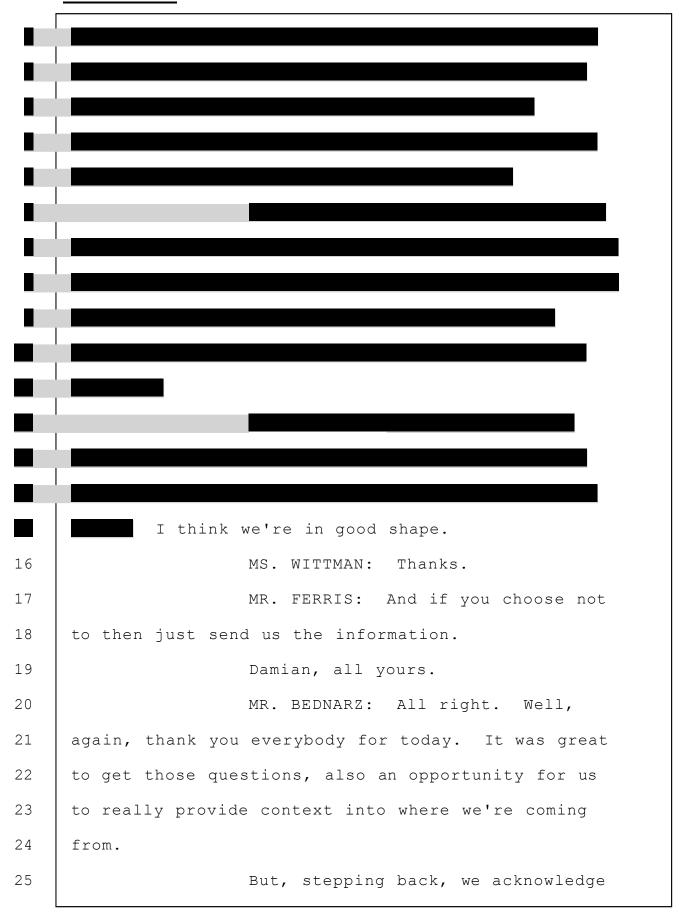








1	beautiful closing statement.
2	Thank you so much for, again,
3	giving us the opportunity to speak with you and
4	clarify. Two points to close out, clean up for us.
12	MR. FERRIS: I think we're just
13	about there. So, I think you should probably have
14	them in the next day or so.
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and we know that New Jersey stands at a critical
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fully understand it and we fully understand where
we're headed next. If New Jersey wants to continue
being a leader in offshore wind here in the United
States, with projects mobilizing on the east coast
and supply chains unlocking economic opportunity and
workforce getting mobilized, I think it's important
that this State needs to decide who its future
partners are going to be in a project that will
commit itself to being in it for the long haul.
                 We firmly believe Attentive Energy
is part of that mix. We firmly believe that
Attentive Energy 2 and the proposal we provided will
be part of that future. And we stand ready to
execute and deliver on that promise and those
commitments we made. Not only will our proposal
strengthen the foundational investments that have
been made by the State, but we plan on creating
pathways to those underserved communities and
audiences and organizations that have not had a
chance to be lucky to have that seat at the table.
That is a key part of our driving ability that we
believe our proposal does offer that opportunity.
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1 coalition that we bring to our proposal and our 2 commitments is a reflection not only of our ideas 3 and our initiatives, but of our team as well. 4 we firmly believe that our team also represents the 5 same resilient culture of the State and that's 6 important if we're going to be doing this 7 partnership and this project together for years 8 ahead. 9 This proposal reflects our values, 10 community mindedness, forward thinking, and deep 11 experience. It is fused every step along the way 12 how to create this proposal and the team we built 13 and the team and the coalition that we will continue 14 to build well beyond this point. 15 You've heard from several members



So, from the key sides of Salem to the classrooms of Essex, the Attentive Energy 2 project reflects the statewide opportunity. We're going to be investigating in communities and organizations that will further deepen the offshore wind industry. We're proposing to not only create an economic and environmental opportunity for New Jersey residents and businesses, but really an opportunity for future generations to take into account that this industry started and is truly a New Jersey localized opportunity.

I want to close by thanking our team for their time, their skill, and their talent of getting us to this point. I want to thank again the BPU and DEP teams and associates who spent time

with us to reflect on our opportunity here. But, above all, we thank the State really for the opportunity and where we're headed. So, thank you again. We look forward to staying in contact and look forward to being a part of New Jersey's offshore wind solution. Thank you. MR. FERRIS: Thanks, Damian. Ellen, we don't have any homework; do we? MS. COOL:

MR. FERRIS: Okay. Good. Good.

Well done. So, thank you all again for your thoughtful responses today. I know we thought this was a very productive meeting. We hope you guys thought so as well.

I want to thank Richard and the LAI team for the questions and for moving us through the agenda. I want to thank our court reporter and IT support for their work. I also wanted to thank the BPU team for all the work you guys have all done and especially Kevin for the logistics for organizing this meeting today.

A few reminders. If you do choose to submit a Best and Final Offer, it is due no later

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     than 5 p.m. eastern time November 29. If you are
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     helpful and we appreciate it.
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     pre-build today. As you know, the Board did reject
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     standalone pre-build solicitation. You should see
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     the details of that solicitation within the next
     couple of weeks. And just to note, the Board's
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     rejection of the PBI proposals was without
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     prejudice. So, we encourage you to respond to that
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     pre-build solicitation, if you still remain
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     interested in constructing the pre-build.
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                      As I said at the beginning, we will
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     provide the transcript to you, give you an
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     in accordance with N.J.A.C. 14:1-12.1, as well as
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                       Finally, just another thank you for
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     all the time and effort that you all have spent on
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     your application, on the CQ responses, on your
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     responses today, having your whole team here today.
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     We really appreciate that and we very much
     appreciate your interest in collaborating with New
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     Jersey in achieving our offshore wind goals.
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                       So, with that. Thank you and enjoy
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     the rest of your day.
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