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Re: Vineyard Wind, Petitioner  
Written Comments regarding FEIR  
EFSB 17-05; D.P.U. 18-18; D.P.U. 18-19

Dear Ms. Patel:

Please accept this letter as our comments regarding the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) filed by Vineyard Wind in the above-referenced matter. As aquafarmers with productive oyster farms now operating in Lewis Bay, we have grave concerns about the status of Lewis Bay as the alternate site for the burial and landing of the 800-megawatt transmission cables. We believe the abutting aquafarmers are entitled to certain future protections in the event the alternate site becomes the preferred site. The FEIR fails to provide any level of protection to our oyster farms, our livelihoods.

We wish to make you aware that Vineyard Wind, while preparing its FEIR, has not contacted us nor made any attempts to reach any agreement or plan for mitigation of our certain losses in the event the alternate site is chosen or in the event some unforeseen factor arises which makes Covell's Beach inappropriate or

unavailable as the preferred landing site. During the EFSB hearings, members of the Siting Board inquired of the Vineyard Wind witnesses if any outreach and communications with the aquafarmers had taken place, noting the importance of such outreach. In our Final Written Comment, dated November 26, 2018, we described the minimal level of outreach and communications by one representative of Vineyard Wind from January through October 2018. Following the hearings and during the months Vineyard Wind has been preparing its FEIR, there have been no attempts by Vineyard Wind to communicate with us.

Furthermore, in the event the alternate Lewis Bay site becomes the site preferred by your Board or becomes the only available site, will we as oyster farmers, with both Massachusetts and Town of Yarmouth licenses and permits, be afforded the opportunity to again raise our concerns and to have the Siting Board again review Lewis Bay for appropriateness as a site for burying cables transmitting 800 megawatts of electrical power?

We believe that in order for your Siting Board to accept Lewis Bay and New Hampshire Avenue as the alternate site, our concerns should be addressed. It is unacceptable to us to have Lewis Bay identified as the alternate site without resolution of all the issues raised at the hearings and in our letters to your Board.

As you are aware, we operate two oyster aquafarms in Lewis Bay, within 1,000 feet of the proposed cabling route. We have submitted three previous letters to your Board describing all our concerns for the health and well-being of our oyster farms in the event the cables are buried in Lewis Bay. All those concerns remain relevant in light of the FEIR. Our previous letters still represent our position about the cabling in the Bay. We attach our previous letters to the transmittal email for your reference.

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We respectfully request that the Energy Facilities Siting Board not allow Vineyard Wind or any entity to dig trenches in Lewis Bay and to bring the cables onshore at New Hampshire Avenue for the purpose of burying high voltage electric cables.

Sincerely,

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