



June 2, 2023

**To: Dr. Christopher Moore, Executive Director, MAFMC**

**Re: Bluepoint Wind Offshore Wind Project Activities Update**

Dear Dr. Moore,

Bluepoint Wind is a partnership between Ocean Winds, an international offshore wind energy company created by EDP Renewables and ENGIE, and Global Infrastructure Partners (GIP). Together, these companies have a successful track record of over 50 years of experience in the development, financing, construction, and operation of renewable energy projects, including more than 15 years on offshore wind projects. In February 2022, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management of the U.S. Department of Interior (BOEM) awarded Bluepoint Wind an offshore wind lease (OCS-A 0537) in the New York Bight lease auction. The Lease Area is located 38 nautical miles (nm) (70 kilometers [km]) off the coast of New York and 53 nm (107 km) off the coast of New Jersey (Figure 1). Our offshore wind farm is expected to be able to deliver 1.7 GW of clean wind energy – powering up to 900,000 homes and helping New Jersey and New York meet their ambitious clean energy and carbon emissions reduction goals.

Bluepoint Wind geophysical survey activities started in March 2023 and geotechnical surveys are scheduled to start in the summer of 2023. These types of survey activities will continue through much of 2023 within our lease area and areas with potential for offshore export cable routes (Figure 2). Benthic surveys will be conducted in June 2023. All Bluepoint Wind activities are conducted with the following practices and principles at the forefront:

- Survey vessels will conduct activities in accordance with the need to respectfully co-exist with fishermen and fisheries vessels, gear, and personnel. Bluepoint Wind’s experienced Fisheries Liaison is positioned to keep communication channels open to address the fisheries-related concerns and to provide coordination between our survey team, vessel operators, and the local and regional fisheries community.
- Safety is a core value at Bluepoint Wind as emphasized by our motto Everyone Home Safe. Bluepoint wind will prioritize a safety-first mindset at every project phase, treating our people, communities, and environment with care.
- Measures are implemented during our project activities for the protection of species listed under the Endangered Species Act and the Marine

Mammal Protection Act as well as non-listed marine wildlife. Protected Species Observers (also known as PSOs) and/or trained observers are present on survey vessels in accordance with BOEM and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration policies.

- Survey activities and locations are posted and will continue to be updated in the Local Notices to Mariners (LNMs) in U.S. Coast Guard Districts 1 and 5. In addition to the LNM postings, information available on Bluepoint Wind's website includes a section "Information for Mariners" ([Information for Mariners - Bluepoint Wind](#)) where fishermen and the public may access our Fisheries Communications Plan, Survey Work Flyer, Mariner's Update, and Gear Loss Compensation Form.

Bluepoint Wind continues to increase our active fisheries engagement and outreach through our Fisheries Liaison's attendance and participation at fisheries management council meetings, Port Hours, fisheries working groups, academic seminars, and trade/industry events. Fisheries engagement and outreach includes a robust, proactive approach to promoting positive interactions with fisheries by providing pre-survey fisheries training for vessel operators and crew, the development of procedures for avoiding and reducing gear interactions, the establishment of real-time group communications between the FL and survey vessels, and frequent communications with fishermen. Coordination and collaboration with other New York Bight leaseholders are continuing processes Bluepoint Wind is involved in and we anticipate this to continue as we move through project phases.

Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council members and staff, recreational and commercial fishermen, and other interested stakeholders are welcome to contact the Bluepoint Wind team through our Fisheries Liaison, Calvin Alexander, at [fisheries@bluepointwind.com](mailto:fisheries@bluepointwind.com) regarding project activities and fisheries concerns. Bluepoint Wind has also funded a Fisheries Representative (FR) to represent the interests and concerns of local and regional fishermen. Jim Kendall, FR, may be contacted at [nbsc@comcast.net](mailto:nbsc@comcast.net).

Bluepoint Wind looks forward to continuing a productive relationship with the fisheries community and will continue to dedicate effort and resources towards meaningful and positive outcomes.

Sincerely,

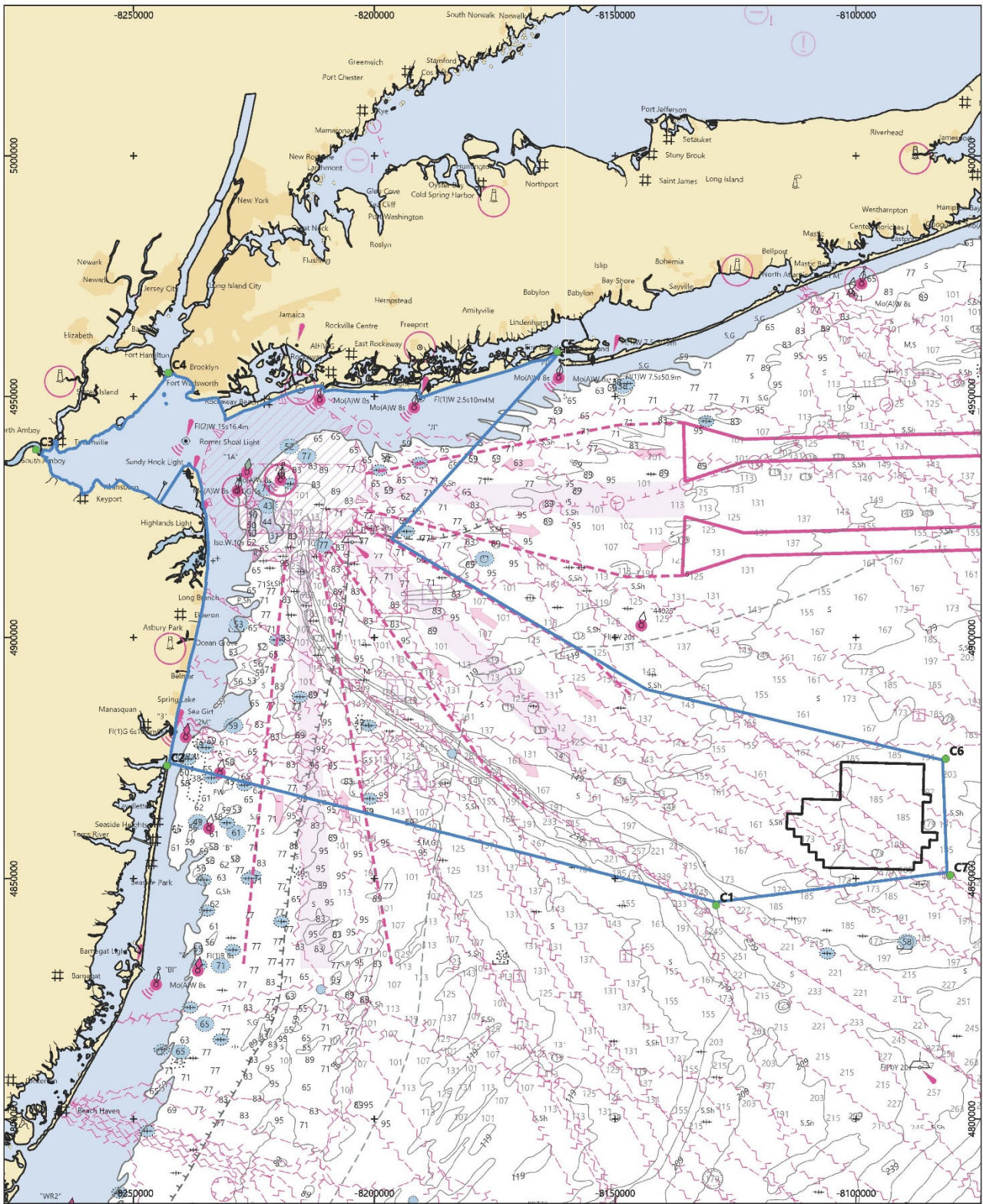


John Dempsey  
Chief Executive Officer  
Bluepoint Wind

**Figure 1. Bluepoint Wind Lease Area (OCS-A 0537)**



**Figure 2. Bluepoint Wind Survey Area**



**BLUEPOINT WIND OFFSHORE SURVEY AREA**

EPSG CODE: 32218      COORDINATE SYSTEM: UTM ZONE 18 N - NAD83



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Coordinate Reference - NAD83



**LEGEND**

- Survey Area Bounding Locations
- Survey Area
- Bluepoint Wind Lease

SURVEY AREA BOUNDING COORDINATES (NAD83)		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
C1	39° 51' 07.2" N	073° 01' 28.1" W
C2	40° 03' 06.4" N	074° 02' 55.3" W
C3	40° 30' 02.8" N	074° 17' 35.7" W
C4	40° 36' 35.5" N	074° 02' 46.7" W
C5	40° 38' 22.1" N	073° 19' 15.0" W
C6	40° 03' 41.5" N	072° 35' 45.9" W
C7	39° 53' 42.6" N	072° 35' 15.4" W

