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To; Emma Rodvien, Coordinator Rhode Island Energy Facility Siting Board

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Re; SB 2202- 02 Mayflower Wind EFSB meeting August 18, 2022

From: Frank Haggerty

RE : Massachusetts & Rhode Island Offshore Wind: Request for Information (RFI) on September 1 2022

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New England Requests Information on Electric Grid Upgrades To Integrate Offshore Wind

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Five New England states issued a Request for Information (RFI) on September 1, seeking comment from interested stakeholders by October 14, 2022, on changes and upgrades to the regional electric transmission system to integrate renewable energy resources, particularly offshore wind. Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island are seeking information through the RFI that will help them improve the grid's reliability, resilience, and affordability for the regions' electricity customers. The states aim to improve the grid by integrating offshore wind and other renewable resources and leveraging federal funding for transmission investments under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). The RFI builds on information gleaned from earlier efforts of the New England states to engage with ISO New England (ISO-NE)[1] to study transmission needs in light of planned offshore wind deployment.

The joint RFI among the states outlines a conceptual framework for a modular offshore wind integration plan (Plan) and seeks comments on the Plan and other infrastructure upgrades. Information received during the comment period will inform the states' decisions to procure or facilitate transmission investment, inform planning activities, and further inform efforts to secure federal funding, including under the IIJA, and otherwise support infrastructure investment decisions.

RFI : <https://newenglandenergyvision.com/new-england-states-transmission-initiative/> [newenglandenergyvision.com]

Five New England States Announce New Regional Energy Transmission Infrastructure Initiative – Request for Information to Integrate Clean Energy Resources

Endnote

[1] [perkinscoie.com] ISO-NE [ferc.gov] is the Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) that serves six New England states: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont. It is responsible for operating wholesale power markets that trade electricity, capacity, transmission congestion contracts, and related products, in addition to administering auctions for the sale of capacity. ISO-NE operates New England's

high-voltage transmission network and performs long-term planning for the New England system. <https://www.ferc.gov/industries-data/electric/electric-power-markets/iso-ne> [ferc.gov].