



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**  
**Public Utilities Commission**

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December 19, 2024

Ms. Kristen Masse  
Coordinator RI Energy Facility Siting Board  
89 Jefferson Blvd.  
Warwick, RI 02888

Re: SB-2022-02 - SouthCoast Wind Energy LLC Application for a License to Construct Major Energy Facilities

Dear Ms. Masse:

Please be advised that it appears the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) will be unable to produce a quorum to an Advisory Opinion in the above-referenced docket as the result of the imminent retirement of Commissioner Revens and the Public Utilities Commission Chairman's recusal because he is also the Chairman of the Energy Facility Siting Board. As a result, the Commission is unable to meet its statutory obligation under R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-98-9(d) and is therefore closing its Docket No. 24-45-EL. Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-98-10(a), the exercise of the PUC's function to provide an opinion on need, cost, and in this case, potential benefits to the regional electric system, revert to the Board. All filings made within the Commission's docket are available on the PUC's website except for the Confidential Documents which the Board can obtain from the Applicant.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 780-2147.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cynthia G. Wilson-Frias".

Cynthia G. Wilson-Frias  
Chief of Legal Services

cc: Service List Docket No. 24-45-EL