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SEA GIRT, NEW JERSEY



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November 29, 2023

Sea Girt Supervisor
NJ Department of Environmental Protection
Division of Land Resource Protection
PO Box 420, Code 501-02A
Trenton, N.J. 08725

re: Community Offshore Wind
Geotechnical Survey & Benthic
Sampling
Offshore Atlantic Ocean
Monmouth County, NJ

Dear Sea Girt Supervisor:

The Sea Girt Planning/Zoning Board is in receipt of your letter of November 20, 2023 and are responding with comments.

The Board is against this proposed work as it may impact our beachfront and Sea Girt itself; we are still concerned about the lack of data regarding protection of marine and aerial wildlife. We have been against the wind turbine projects since the beginning and feel more research needs to be done before disturbing the ocean, surrounding beaches and beachfront towns.

Sincerely,

Karen S. Brisben

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Secretary
Sea Girt Planning/Zoning Board

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February 12, 2024

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Division of Land Resource Protection
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Trenton, NJ 08625

**Re: Sea Girt Planning Board
NJDEP Waterfront Development Individual Permit
Section 401 Water Quality Certification Request
Applicant: Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Project 2, LLC**

Dear Sea Girt Supervisor:

Please be advised I am writing to you on behalf of the Sea Girt Planning Board. In that regard, I would ask that you please note following:

1. Planning Board representatives are in receipt of a Notice from Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind, LLC, dated January 31, 2024, advising that the Developer is proposing to develop an offshore wind energy generation project within New Jersey State waters, off of the coast of the Borough of Sea Girt.
2. The referenced Notice advises that comments / objections / concerns can be submitted to the NJDEP.
3. Please note that the Sea Girt Planning Board strenuously objects to the proposal.
4. The grounds for objection include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following:



- a) A concern regarding the potential disruption to the oceanic waters, the marine life, and the marine habitat as a direct and indirect result of the proposed development;
- b) A concern regarding the potential disruption to endangered species which inhabit the affected beach areas;
- c) A concern regarding the potentially adverse economic impact the proposed development can have on the Borough's Summer Season;
- d) A concern regarding the potentially adverse impact the proposed development can have on the environment, marine water-life, and the waterfront community;
- e) A concern that the proposed development will solely promote the private economic interests of the Developer, at the expense of the Borough of Sea Girt and other waterfront communities;
- f) A concern that the long-term efficiency and benefits of the proposed alternative energy source have not been fully substantiated / studied / documented / vetted / shared;
- g) A concern that the long-term environmental soundness of the project has not been sufficiently identified, studied, and shared;
- h) A Concern regarding the potentially adverse aesthetic impact of the proposal;
- i) A Concern regarding the seeming lack of qualified / distributed / substantiated research confirming that the project can be developed without causing substantial detriment to the public good;
- j) A concern regarding the impact the development will have on the fragile eco-system;
- k) A concern as to why other seemingly similar projects (in other local / national / world-wide waterfront communities) have apparently been stopped / halted / abandoned;
- l) A concern regarding the seemingly unknown financial viability of the Developer and the project;
- m) A concern that for such a substantial and environmentally sensitive project, the public comment period is just too short, too immediate, and generally inconsistent with good government practice; and

n) Other sufficient causes.

5. In light of the above, the Sea Girt Planning Board strenuously objects to the proposed project.
6. Please advise if the Sea Girt Planning Board and / or the Borough of Sea Girt will have any future opportunities to publicly comment / object to the subject proposal.
7. I would also ask that you please advise as to what other ways the Planning Board Objections can be further clarified / memorialized.

Thank you for your attention.

Respectfully submitted,

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April 18, 2024

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Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
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Re: Sea Girt, New Jersey Planning Board
Applicant: Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Project 2, LLC
BOEM Docket No.: BOEM-2024-0008

Dear Ms. Sullivan:

Please be advised I am writing to you on behalf of the Sea Girt Planning Board. In that regard, I would ask that you please note following:

1. Planning Board representatives are aware that Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind, LLC, or agents / affiliates thereof, are proposing to develop an offshore wind energy generation project within New Jersey State waters, off of the coast of the Borough of Sea Girt.
2. Per prior Public Hearings on the matter, I understand that comments / objections / concerns can be submitted to the BOEM.
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