



April 7, 2017

Honorable Richard W. Meehan
Mayor and City Council of Ocean City, Maryland
P.O. Box 158
Ocean City, Maryland 21843

RE: US Wind, Inc's Proposed Maryland Offshore Wind Project

Dear Mayor Meehan and City Council Members,

At your invitation, US Wind, Inc. presented a description of its proposed 750MW offshore wind project to you and the City Council on April 3, 2017. We welcomed this opportunity and recognize the need for transparency and cooperation with you and the City. We see this as continuing the dialogue we began with the Mayor and his staff in October 2016 and we regard transparency and openness as vital to making our project successful and acceptable to residents and businesses in Ocean City.

US Wind, Inc. understands the Council's opinions regarding viewshed impacts of the offshore wind project and has taken these publicly expressed concerns seriously.

To further address your concerns, US Wind, Inc. remains willing to discuss altering the current wind project layout in an attempt to reduce viewshed impacts for Ocean City. We have already conducted preliminary engineering redesigns since the April 3rd meeting to push eastward the beginning of the windfarm by as much five miles. We estimate the new location would reduce the visibility of any structures by more than 35 percent.

We are willing to explore this possibility with you, given the material and measurable reductions in visual impact.

We recognize the concerns expressed by the Council and understand the tourism-based economy Ocean City has cultivated over the years to become a leading Atlantic Coast resort. We hope to continue to prove to you our commitment to be a good corporate partner in the Ocean City community and continue our dialogue around this important project.

We would like to meet with you at your earliest convenience to discuss our feedback to your comments of last Monday, April 3 and walk you through our attempts to address your concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul M. Rich", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul M. Rich
Director, Project Development