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Alexander Strysky MEPA Analyst Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs

## Re: Draft Environmental Impact Report EEA Number 16611

Dear Mr. Strysky,

I am writing to submit comments on behalf of the Cape Cod Technology Council, Inc. ("CCTC") on Draft Environmental Impact Report ("DEIR") submitted for New England Wind Connector 2, currently under consideration by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs ("EEA"). Founded in 1996, the CCTC is a membership based non-profit organization whose mission is to promote technology, education and economic development on Cape Cod, the Islands, and Southeastern Massachusetts. Our membership includes local Cape, Islands, and Southeastern Massachusetts businesses, technology innovators, educational organizations, government entities, working professionals, and community leaders.

The CCTC supports the development of innovative solutions to meet the anticipated energy needs of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. One of the most promising of these solutions is wind energy. The New England Wind Connector 2 has the potential to meet these needs while advancing the state of wind energy technology.

In light of the long-term energy and climate benefits offered by off-shore wind projects such as New England Wind Project, the CCTC trusts that the EEA will carefully review and appropriately act on the DEIR.

The CCTC appreciates your consideration of our views. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Dale Shadbegian

Dale Shadbegian, President