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August 9, 2021

Lars T. Pedersen, CEO
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Dear Mr. Pedersen,

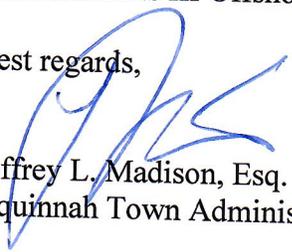
I am writing regarding Vineyard Wind's project proposal to Massachusetts' 83C-III offshore wind solicitation.

As you consider whether to accept the Vineyard Wind proposal, you should know that Vineyard Wind's community partner, Vineyard Power, as worked with the Town of Aquinnah to educate our community about renewable energy and the offshore wind process, both at the federal and state level to ensure that our community had a voice in the offshore wind permitting process. Additionally, Vineyard Power supported the Town of Aquinnah in the federal Section 106 Historical Preservation process to preserve and enhance the experience for visitors of our historic Gay Head Lighthouse.

Vineyard Wind has followed through on the commitments to deliver an operations and maintenance facility here on the Vineyard which will create dozens of well paid career jobs and enhance the Island's grid resiliency through investments in distributed battery storage paired with solar. Vineyard Wind has followed through on their proposal to work within our public school system to raise awareness of, and develop career paths for this burgeoning industry. All the above actions promise to present exciting opportunities for the entire Island over the next 25 years or more.

We are excited to lend enthusiastic support to Vineyard Wind's bid in the upcoming Massachusetts III Offshore Wind Solicitation.

Best regards,


Jeffrey L. Madison, Esq.
Aquinnah Town Administrator



Town of West Tisbury
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
West Tisbury, Massachusetts 02575

Lars T. Pedersen,
CEO Vineyard Wind
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RE: Support for Vineyard Wind's 83C-III proposal

August 16, 2021

Dear Mr. Pederson,

Vineyard Power has worked cooperatively with the Town of West Tisbury over the past 12 years to educate our community about renewable energy and the offshore wind process, both at a federal and state level, and to ensure that our questions and concerns were communicated not only to government agencies but also to their development partner, Vineyard Wind and to other project developers.

We recently celebrated BOEM's approval of Vineyard Wind 1 project as it is the single largest project that will help us mitigate the negative effects of climate change on our coastal community and help our town achieve the goal of becoming a 100% renewable energy community by 2040.

We are particularly supportive of Vineyard Wind's commitment to invest in our community by creating dozens of well-paid jobs, both technical and commercial, and by investing in our island's key infrastructure. This will be achieved by basing an operations & maintenance center on the island, including part of our town, and by enhancing our island's grid resiliency through investments in distributed battery storage paired with solar.

We applaud Vineyard Wind's investment in our residents through supporting workforce development and training and by ensuring that the benefits of renewable energy are shared equitably, including low-income residents.

Through its partnership with our local island energy cooperative, Vineyard Power, Vineyard Wind has delivered on their previous commitments. This partnership serves as a model for how renewable energy developers can work cooperatively with the local community, resulting in benefits on both sides.

We look forward to continuing to work together to build upon past successes and create new opportunities for our town and island over the next 25 years or more.

We are excited to support Vineyard Wind's bid in the upcoming Massachusetts III Offshore Wind Solicitation.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Rand
Town Administrator



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August 18, 2021

Lars T. Pedersen,
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RE: Support for Vineyard Wind's 83C-III proposal

Dear Mr. Pedersen:

I am writing regarding Vineyard Wind's project proposal in response to Massachusetts' 83C-III offshore wind solicitation.

Vineyard Wind's community partner, Vineyard Power has worked cooperatively with the Town of Tisbury for over 10 years to educate our community about renewable energy and the offshore wind process, both at the federal and state level to ensure that our community had a voice in the offshore wind permitting process. Vineyard Power has worked diligently to identify community benefits to our island community since the signing of the groundbreaking offshore Community Benefit Agreement with Vineyard Wind in 2015. Since then, Vineyard Wind has demonstrated a real understanding for outreach and the necessity of bringing local benefits to our town and island community.

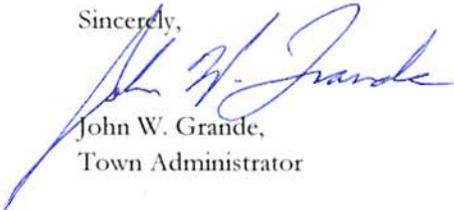
The Tisbury Selectboard were particularly supportive of Vineyard Wind's efforts to locate their operations and maintenance facility in the Town of Tisbury's Working Waterfront and create dozens of well-paid jobs for our town and the island. In addition, Vineyard Wind's efforts to build a local workforce by partnering with our public school system and with Adult Community Education of MV to raise awareness for this burgeoning industry, develop career pathways and to prepare our residents for exciting careers in our "Blue Economy". Vineyard Wind has also followed through on their commitment to enhance the island's grid resiliency through investments in distributed battery storage paired with solar and to ensure that the benefits are shared equitably.

The positive connection that has been built up between Tisbury and Vineyard Wind bodes well for our town and is a relationship we are confident will be a long term one. It serves as a model for how renewable energy developers can work in a positive way with the local community, addressing issues like climate change and ocean acidification, all while creating local jobs and a more sustainable economy.

We look forward to continuing to work together to build upon past successes and create new opportunities for our town and island over the next 25 years or more.

We are excited to support Vineyard Wind's bid in the upcoming Massachusetts III Offshore Wind Solicitation

Sincerely,


John W. Grande,
Town Administrator



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08/25/2021

To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing regarding Vineyard Wind's project proposal in response to Massachusetts' 83C-III offshore wind solicitation.

Vineyard Wind's community partner, Vineyard Power, over the years, has made efforts to educate our community about the offshore wind process, both at the federal and state level and to ensure that our concerns were communicated not only to government agencies but also to the Vineyard Wind development team.

Vineyard Wind has followed through on their commitments to locate their operations and maintenance facility here on the Vineyard, which will create dozens of well-paid careers, and has established local workforce training through a partnership with Adult Community Education of MV and local workforce outreach with the MV Regional High School to raise awareness of various career opportunities for this burgeoning industry. All the above present exciting opportunities for the entire island over the next 25 years or more.

The Town of Chilmark has partnered with Vineyard Power, Vineyard Wind's community partner, to develop a solar array project at our capped landfill that benefits the town residents and supports the town's commitment to a 100% fossil free future. We look forward to continuing to work with Vineyard Power to develop additional solar projects paired with distributed energy storage that will not only enhance our Town's energy resiliency but also address low-income rate payers in our community.

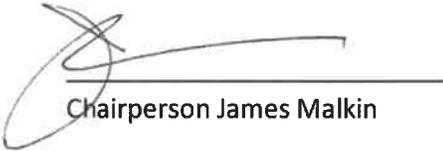
We also support their continued outreach to our local fishing community and their commitment to listen and work with our local fishermen and present opportunities for the fishermen and fishing vessels to get involved in the project. Vineyard Wind maintains an open line of communication with our local fishermen ensuring a formal communication channel directly to the project to raise concerns, pursue opportunities and to minimize conflicts to our blue economy and our local coastal and marine environments.

Vineyard Wind is delivering on their commitment to ensuring an open and honest dialogue and to deliver real benefits to the community.

We support Vineyard Wind's bid in the upcoming Massachusetts III Offshore Wind Solicitation, and we look forward to the future opportunities for our town and island over the next 25 years or more.

Best Regards,

Chilmark Select Board

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'J' followed by a horizontal line extending to the right. The signature is positioned above the printed name.

Chairperson James Malkin



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September 9, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing regarding Vineyard Wind's project proposal in response to Massachusetts' 83C-III offshore wind solicitation. Vineyard Wind has demonstrated a strong commitment to delivering the economic benefits of offshore wind to the Commonwealth and to our community on Martha's Vineyard. We are confident that commitment will continue if the company is awarded a second Massachusetts project.

We support Vineyard Wind's commitment to work with our regional public school system on raising awareness and developing career paths for young island students in this burgeoning industry. We support their initiatives to invest in our Island community by creating dozens of well-paid careers, both technical and commercial, and by investing in our island's key port infrastructure. This will be achieved by basing an operations & maintenance center on the island, and by enhancing our island's grid resiliency through investments in distributed battery storage paired with solar.

We applaud Vineyard Wind's investment in our residents through supporting workforce development and training and by ensuring that the benefits of renewable energy are shared equitably, including low-income residents. We also support their continued outreach effort to our local fishing community and their commitment to listen and work with our fishermen through the life of the project (before, during and after construction) to minimize potential impacts to our blue economy and our local coastal and marine environments.

Through its partnership with our local island energy cooperative, Vineyard Power, Vineyard Wind has delivered on their previous commitments. This partnership serves as a model for how renewable energy developers can work cooperatively with the local community, resulting in benefits on both sides.

Vineyard Wind is delivering on their commitments and we are excited about the future opportunities for our town and island over the next 25 years or more that will deliver real benefits to our community.

We are excited to support Vineyard Wind's bid in the upcoming Massachusetts III Offshore Wind Solicitation

Sincerely,

James Hagerty
Town Administrator
By direction: Edgartown Select Board



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9/9/2021

Lars T. Pedersen
CEO Vineyard Wind
700 Pleasant Street, Suite 510
New Bedford, MA 02740

Via: email and regular mail
Re: Letter of Support for Vineyard Wind's 83C-III proposal

Dear Mr. Pedersen,

I am writing regarding Vineyard Wind's project proposal in response to Massachusetts' 83C-III offshore wind solicitation. Vineyard Wind has committed to delivering various economic benefits of offshore wind to our community on Martha's Vineyard. We hope to continue the positive relationship of working together in developing ways to benefit the Island Community and mitigate the effects of climate change and development if the company is awarded a second Massachusetts project.

We support Vineyard Wind's commitment to invest in our Island community by promising to create dozens of well-paid careers, both technical and commercial and enhancing the supply of clean electricity to the Island.

We applaud Vineyard Wind's investment in our residents through supporting workforce development and training and by promising that the benefits of renewable energy will be shared equitably, including low-income residents.

We look forward to continuing to work together to protecting the environment while creating new opportunities for our town and Island over the next 25 years or more.

Please consider this a letter of support for Vineyard Wind's bid in the upcoming Massachusetts III Offshore Wind Solicitation

Best Regards,

Ryan Ruley,
Vice Chair Oak Bluffs Select Board