From: Hunter Moorman

To: Paul Foley; Lucy Morrison

Subject: Vineyard Wind Cables

**Date:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 3:53:35 PM

## To the Martha's Vineyard Commission:

As a year-round West Tisbury resident, I am writing now to reiterate my support for Vineyard Wind and for the proposed cables it includes, especially concerning the cable's routing through the Edgartown Harbor. I am absolutely in favor of the project and the cables and I urge you to endorse them.

As I wrote you earlier, the cables are an essential part of the overall project, necessary to carry electricity generated by the wind farm to its destination. This clean energy will serve many thousands of homes in the state. When the remaining projects in this cluster are completed, the entire complex may serve over one third of the households in the state. This clean energy will result in a significant reduction in carbon emissions that contribute to global warming, the impact of which even now is being felt on our island. Future effects will be far worse. The Vineyard Wind project will be a significant step toward alleviating these effects. It is very important that the project in all its parts be allowed to proceed without further delay or greater cost. I encourage you to appreciate the great benefit of this project and the importance of the cables to it, and ask that you give the go-ahead to the cables.

I do not deny that there may be some relatively small adverse effects, and I don't dispute the sincerity of those who oppose the cables. We must acknowledge that there will always be unwanted effects of large, significant projects and also that people will hold competing values that put them in opposition. Nevertheless, the larger public good must prevail. The benefits of Vineyard Wind far outweigh any negatives, and the rationale for the cables' placement is sound. The project has gone to great lengths to consider suitable alternatives, to select the most feasible and beneficial, and to mitigate any potentially harmful effects.

You are bound by your charter to consider the island's environment, its economy, its social fabric, and its character. This project affects them all and is beneficial to them all. But beyond that, you are acting to preserve the Vineyard'a very existence. Please act to preserve it.

Thank you.

Hunter Moorman

Hunter N. Moorman

106 Panhandle Rd. West Tisbury MA 02575 508-693-6522

--

Hunter Moorman PO Box 1449, 106 Panhandle Rd. West Tisbury, MA 02575 508-693-6522 (H) 202-309-4896 (C)