

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Mortgagors, appraisers, inspectors, builders, mortgagee staff appraisers, mortgagee staff underwriters, and HUD employees.

**EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT:**

None.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement****Commercial Lease for the Cape Wind Energy Project**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability ("NOA") of a Commercial Lease of Submerged Lands for Renewable Energy Development on the Outer Continental Shelf ("OCS") for the Cape Wind Energy Project.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to its authority under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act ("OCSLA"), 43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*, as amended; and the Renewable Energy and Alternate Uses of Existing Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf Rules, 30 CFR part 285 ("Rule"), BOEMRE has issued a Commercial Lease ("Lease") for an area of approximately 46 square miles on the OCS in Nantucket Sound off the coast of Cape Cod, Massachusetts. This NOA is being published to announce the availability of the Lease in accordance with the requirements of 30 CFR 285.231. The Lease is for the Cape Wind Energy Project ("Project") which grants Cape Wind Associates, LLC, ("CWA") the exclusive right to conduct certain activities within the leased area, subject to the terms and conditions of the Lease, and applicable laws and regulations. The Lease requires CWA to pay \$88,278 in annual rent prior to production, and a two to seven percent operating fee rate following the start of production during the 33-year lease (a 5-year site assessment term and a 28-year commercial operations term). The rent and operating fee are based on the requirements set forth in 30 CFR part 285, subpart E. The Project plan calls for 130 wind turbines capable of generating a maximum electric output of 468 megawatts with an anticipated average output of 183 megawatts. Construction and operation of the Project cannot begin until BOEMRE reviews and approves plans submitted by CWA that

detail construction and operation of the Project in accordance with the Rule.

**Authority:** The NOA of the Lease issuance is published pursuant to 30 CFR 285.231.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Cape Wind Energy Project Description**

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 ("EPAct") and amendments to the OCSLA gave the Secretary of the Department of the Interior the authority to issue leases, easements, and rights-of-way for renewable energy activities on the OCS. The Secretary delegated this authority to BOEMRE, formerly the Minerals Management Service. Following passage of EPAct in 2005, CWA submitted an application for Project to BOEMRE. In 2009, BOEMRE finalized the Rule that governed the issuance of leases, easements, and rights-of-way and the regulation of offshore renewable energy activities.

The Project plan calls for 130 3.6 megawatt wind turbine generators, each with a maximum blade height of 440 feet, to be arranged in a grid pattern on the OCS in Nantucket Sound. The transmission cables for the Project, if approved, would pass through Massachusetts' submerged lands. With a maximum electric output of 468 megawatts and an average anticipated output of 183 megawatts, the Project is expected to generate electricity equivalent to three-quarters of the Cape and nearby islands' electricity needs. Each of the 130 wind turbine generators would generate electricity independently. Solid dielectric submarine inner-array cables from each wind turbine generator would interconnect within the array and terminate on an electrical service platform ("ESP"), which would serve as the common interconnection point for all of the wind turbines. The Project plan calls for a submarine transmission cable system approximately 12.5 miles in length from the ESP to a landfall location in Yarmouth, Massachusetts (7.6 miles of which would fall within the state of Massachusetts' jurisdiction).

**Availability of the Lease:**

To obtain a single printed copy of the Lease, you may contact BOEMRE, Office of Offshore Alternative Energy Programs (Mail Stop 4090), 381 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. An electronic copy of the Lease is available at BOEMRE's Web site at: <http://www.boemre.gov/offshore/RenewableEnergy/CapeWind.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, Ms. Maureen A. Bornholdt, Program

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Dated: December 20, 2010.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Notice of Availability of the St. Andrew Beach Mouse Recovery Plan**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the availability of the recovery plan for the St. Andrew beach mouse (*Peromyscus polionotus peninsularis*). The recovery plan includes specific recovery objectives and criteria to be met in order to reclassify this species to threatened status and delist it under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act).

**ADDRESSES:** You can obtain copies of the St. Andrew beach mouse recovery plan by contacting the Panama City Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1601 Balboa Avenue, Panama City, FL 32405 (telephone (850) 769-0552) or by visiting our Web site at <http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans> or <http://fws.gov/panamacity/>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ben Frater at the above address (telephone 850/769-0552, ext. 248; TTY users may contact Mr. Frater through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

The St. Andrew beach mouse was listed as endangered on December 18, 1998 (63 FR 70053). The endangered St. Andrew beach mouse is now found in two populations: East Crooked Island, Bay County, Florida, and St. Joseph Peninsula, Gulf County, Florida.

The St. Andrew beach mouse inhabits the frontal dunes (which are composed of the primary and secondary dunes) and adjacent inland scrub dunes within the coastal ecosystem. Beach mice