

BOEMRE Maryland Renewable Energy Task Force Meeting

Overview of Maryland RFI Responses

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Summary of Expressions of Interest

- Received nine individual expressions of interest from eight entities
- All the comments received as well as a table summarizing the blocks nominated by interested parties can be found on:
 - <http://www.boemre.gov/offshore/RenewableEnergy/StateActivities.htm#Maryland>
 - <http://www.regulations.gov/>. Search for Docket ID Number: BOEM-2010-0038



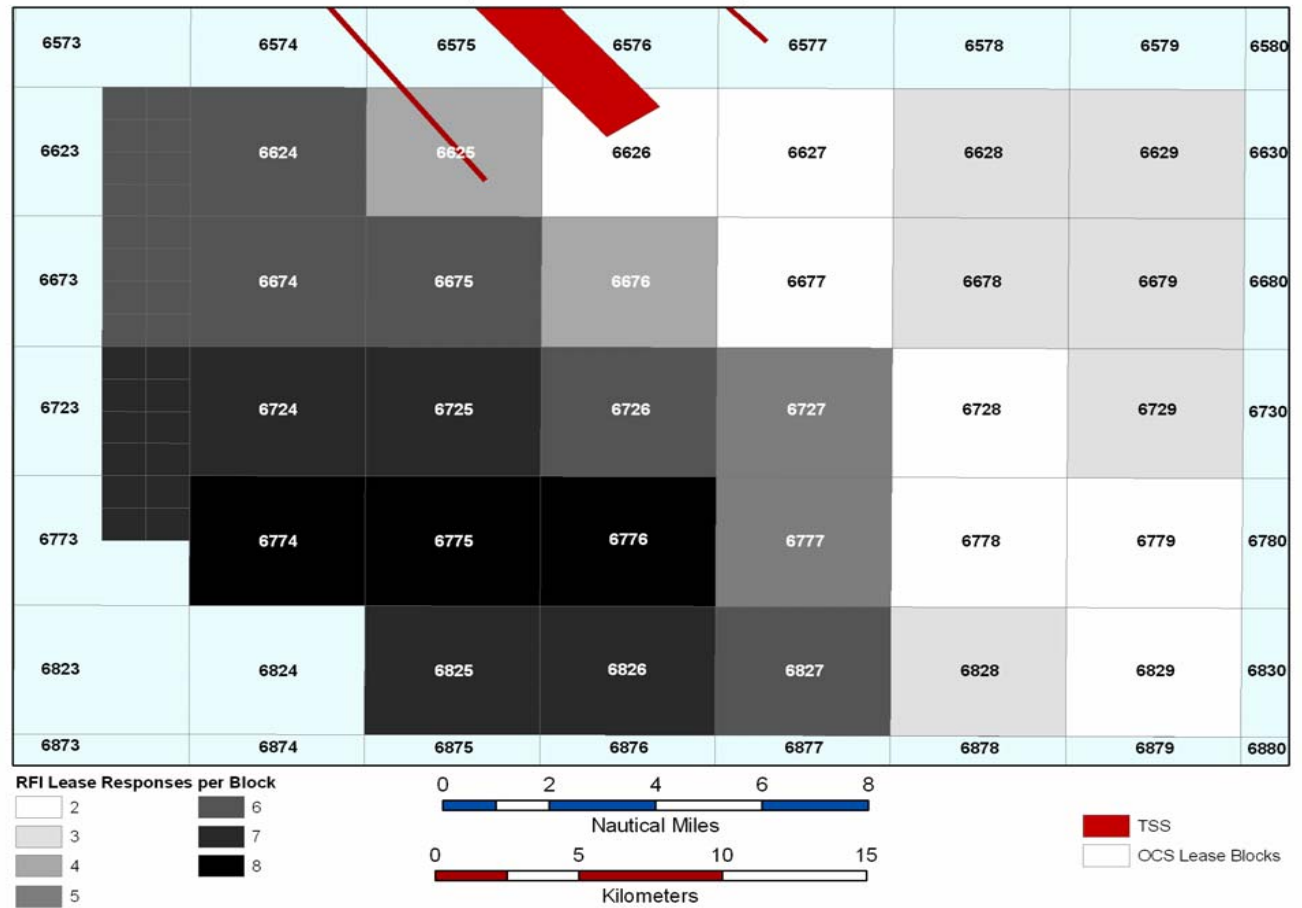
Expressions of Interest

- Nominations received from following entities:
 - Bluewater Wind Maryland LLC
 - Fishermen's Energy of New Jersey, LLC (2 separate nominations)
 - Seawind Renewable Energy Corporation, LLC
 - Iberdrola Renewables, Inc.
 - Orisol Energy US, Inc.
 - Energy Management, Inc.
 - Maryland Offshore LLC
 - RES America Developments, LLC



Where is Interest in the RFI Area?

Expressions of Interest in Response to MD RFI





What does BOEMRE do with the Expressions of Interest?

- Evaluate submissions or nominations received in response to the Request for Interest:
 - Is the applicant qualified?
 - Is there geographic overlap?
 - Is there Intertract Competition?
- BOEMRE has determined all eight entities to be “legally qualified” to hold an OCS lease or grant
- Currently reviewing the applications for “technical” and “financial” capability



The Competitive Process

- Call for Information and Nominations (45 days)
- Area Identification
- Proposed Sale Notice (60 day comment period)
- Final Sale Notice (30 days before date of sale)
- Lease sale
- Bid Evaluation
- Issuance of a Lease



Call for Information and Nominations (Call)

- Published in the Federal Register
- The purpose of the Call is to:
 - Request comments on areas that should receive special consideration and analysis;
 - Request comments concerning multiple uses of the proposed leasing area, (e.g. shipping and vessel traffic, fishing) geological conditions, archeological sites on the seabed or near shore; and
 - Invites submissions of nominations within the Call
- The comment period for the Call is 45 days



Questions?