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Via email: <a href="mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov">dpu.efiling@mass.gov</a>

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Re: EFSB 20-01

The Cape Cod Climate Change Collaborative (Climate Collaborative) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to reduce ways in which the Cape & Islands region contributes to climate change and to protect our region from its potentially devastating impacts. The Climate Collaborative has long been on record in support of offshore wind as a critical way to reduce the overheating in our atmosphere caused by the combustion of fossil fuels. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through both Administrative and Legislative actions has identified and supported offshore wind as an essential component of its clean energy goals. The U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) has identified areas for offshore wind development in federal waters and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through its agencies has been coordinating oversight and approval of the development of these sites with BOEM as they impact Massachusetts waters and land.

The Climate Collaborative supports the development of offshore wind in these federal waters, and puts its confidence in both the federal and state governments to ensure appropriate regulatory and administrative processes to manage and oversee these projects. As the impacts of climate change on our region continue to rapidly increase, we encourage a sense of urgency to accompany these thoughtful and inclusive processes.

Sincerely,

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