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Mr. Todd Stribley
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Washington, DC 20585

RE: Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Cape Wind Energy Project, Nantucket Sound, Massachusetts (Adopted), DOE/EIS-0470, CEQ 20120401

Dear Mr. Stribley:

In accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, we have reviewed the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) prepared by the Department of Energy (DOE) to support adoption of the 2009 Minerals Management Service (MMS) FEIS, in combination with the 2010 MMS Environmental Assessment (EA) and 2011 Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement (BOEMRE) EA (per 40 CFR 1506.4), as a DOE FEIS for the Proposed Cape Wind Energy Project in Nantucket Sound, Massachusetts. Adoption of the FEIS is necessary as DOE did not participate as a cooperating agency in the preparation of the original EIS for the project.

We have no objection to the adoption of the FEIS as described.

Sincerely,

Timothy L. Timmermann
Associate Director
Office of Environmental Review