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Thank you for the opportunity to speak at the LD1895 hearing yesterday (May 18). My oral testimony largely mirrored our previously submitted written testimony. However, during the oral presentation we offered possible specific LD1895 amendment language, which I reproduce here:

Therefore, we strongly urge amending "An Act Regarding the Procurement of Energy from Offshore Wind Resources" to include the following at proposed Paragraph 3 of Section 3408:

Developers of any offshore wind manufacturing, assembling, and/or launching facility, including any project by the State of Maine, shall: (1) ensure that the least environmentally damaging plan is pursued, (2) favor repurposing outdated industrial and/or energy sites for the proposed facility, (3) avoid damaging undeveloped and ecologically significant locations, and (4) consider impacts on wildlife and fisheries. Thank you.