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PUBLIC ACT 19-71 – SECTION 1 – PROCUREMENT OF OFFSHORE WIND FACILITIES

NOTICE OF DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to Section 1 of Public Act 19-71 (the Act), the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) has initiated the above referenced proceeding to implement the provisions of the Act. DEEP has convened a Commission on Environmental Standards (Commission) as required by Section 1 of Public Act 19-71 to review the best available research and data on environmental and commercial fisheries mitigation during offshore wind construction and operation and to make recommendations on what a sufficient environmental and fisheries mitigation plan should include.

By way of this Notice, the Commission will be accepting public comment on its attached draft recommendations until **July 25, 2019 by 4:00PM EPT**. Written comments may be filed electronically on <u>DEEP's website</u> or submitted to <u>DEEP.EnergyBureau@ct.gov</u>. All materials submitted by stakeholders in this proceeding will be posted on the DEEP website. Any questions can be directed to <u>DEEP.EnergyBureau@ct.gov</u>.

The views and opinions expressed in the attached report are those of the members of the Commission. This report does not necessarily comprise the views and opinions of the Connecticut Department of Energy & Environmental Protection and should not be construed as such.

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