

September 23, 2022

## REGIONAL TRANSMISSION INITIATIVE

### NOTICE OF TECHNICAL MEETING

This Notice (Notice) of Technical Meeting is being issued by the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island (Participating States)<sup>1</sup> to provide any needed clarification to interested stakeholders on the questions raised in the Notice of [Request for Information](#) (RFI) issued by the Participating States on September 1, 2022. The RFI was issued to solicit comment from interested stakeholders, electric transmission industry representatives, offshore wind developers, and others regarding changes and upgrades to the regional electric transmission system needed to integrate renewable energy resources, including but not limited to offshore wind resources, as well as significant other new renewable resources developed in areas of the region requiring new transmission to integrate into the New England bulk electric system. Participating States are also seeking comments on a conceptual framework for a multistate Modular Offshore Wind Integration Plan. The Modular Offshore Wind Integration Plan is available on the Regional Transmission Initiative [webpage](#) and attached to the [RFI](#) as Exhibit 1. In addition, a major point of focus for the Participating States is securing access to federal funding, especially under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), for any projects that result from possible future procurements. The Participating States seek comment on the best means to facilitate accessing these federal funds.

#### **Technical Meeting Preliminary Agenda**

The meeting will include an overview of the questions included in the RFI, an overview of the Modular Offshore Wind Implementation Plan (MOWIP), and an opportunity for stakeholders to present ideas in response to the questions outlined in the RFI.

Interested presenters must email [transmission@newenglandenergyvision.com](mailto:transmission@newenglandenergyvision.com) by **September 30, 2022 at 12 p.m.** with a presentation proposal. Presentations may not exceed 10 minutes. Presenters will be confirmed by October 5, 2022 at 4pm.

#### **Technical Meeting Details**

Interested stakeholders are invited to the Technical Meeting on **October 7, 2022 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** The meeting will be held virtually on Zoom. A recording of this meeting will be posted on the Regional Transmission Initiative [webpage](#) and may be subject to the relevant state

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<sup>1</sup> Given Vermont's vertically integrated structure and the lack of any shoreline to act as a potential point of interconnection for offshore wind, which is a substantial, though not sole, focus of this RFI, Vermont will not act as a Participating State. However, Vermont is generally supportive of a regionally organized effort to gather information that will aid each state's planning activities and potentially facilitate federal funding opportunities for transmission upgrades and will remain a close observer of this Request for Information and may participate in subsequent discussions regarding its content and/or next steps. Vermont also shares the objectives of reliably greening New England's energy supply and grid while ensuring that ratepayer costs related to such efforts are minimized.

disclosure laws governing public access to information. Any questions may be directed to [transmission@newenglandenergyvision.com](mailto:transmission@newenglandenergyvision.com).

**Please register for the meeting [HERE](#).**