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Raymond Coia, Chair
Coastal Resources Management Council
Oliver H. Stedman Government Center
4808 Tower Hill Road
Wakefield, Rhode Island 02879

Re: CRMC File Number 2021-07-005
Applicant: Revolution Wind, LLC
Water Quality Certification and Marine Dredging Application
Offshore, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Coia:

The Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission (RIHPHC) staff has reviewed the information that your office provided for the above-referenced application. In this phase, Revolution Wind, LLC is proposing to:

- Install the RWEC-RI “two submarine export cables, each measuring approximately 23 mi (37 km; approximately 13 mi [21 km] in Rhode Island Sound and 10 mi [16 km]) in the West Passage of Narragansett Bay to the three-nautical mile limit of state waters.”
- Initiate work “from a Landfall Work Area onshore in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, where horizontal directional drilling (“HDD”) will be employed to make the submarine export cables’ transitions to shore. This operation will require the excavation of two temporary HDD exit pits approximately 800 feet offshore in subtidal waters.”

The entire Revolution Wind project is currently being reviewed by this office under the regulations of the National Historic Preservation Act. We do not object to the CRMC issuing permit 2021-07-005 for the activities outlined above.

These comments are provided in accordance with *650-RICR-20-00-1.2.3 Areas of Historic and Archaeological Significance* of the Coastal Resources Management Council. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Totten, Project Review Coordinator, or Charlotte Taylor, Staff Archaeologist of this office.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Totten
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