have reviewed the draft principles for Massachusetts Ocean Management dated December 2003 and the preliminary recommendations and support these documents. The Cape Cod Chamber has taken a strong position opposing a project under current review for Nantucket Sound. One of our primary objections is the lack of a process that provides clarity to the public and the regulated community. We believe that renewable energy projects offshore are important to consider, however, there is a lack of a clear and capable permitting process that also involves community input and well as identifying need.

We have attended two of your public hearings and will be happy to participate in further discussions and shaping of these recommendations.

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