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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
N.E. District
Attn: Karen Adams
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Dear Ms. Adams

I am writing on behalf of the Apollo Alliance in full support of the proposed Cape Wind project.

The Apollo Alliance represents a national coalition of business, community, union, religious and environmental leaders committed to creating good jobs, a vibrant and sustainable economy and strong national security. When looking at private-sector led projects, each focused on creating near-term American energy independence, Cape Wind stands out as a brilliant example of what we need more of!

In saying this, we acknowledge the controversial nature of the Cape Wind project. We also strongly acknowledge that this project will make a very significant contribution to decreasing the Cape's and America's dependence on imported fuel. Moving America towards greater energy independence requires that private capital be willing to commit their resources, which Cape Wind Associates has demonstrated. It also calls for policymakers and the public at large, to fully appreciate the need for such ambitious and forward thinking projects as Cape Wind.

We appreciate the range of issues facing the US Corps of Army Engineers in evaluating the Cape Wind project. We encourage you to explicitly value the energy, national security and economic development benefits that this project will bring to Massachusetts and the nation at large.

Cape Wind has many critical benefits. It will utilize renewable, efficient, and advanced technologies; it will help to increase America's energy independence; and, it will reduce traditionally high-energy costs to Massachusetts's residents. The project will also create from 600 to 1,000 new jobs during the construction period, with nearly \$22 million in economic output being generated.

Increasing American energy independence requires support from federal, state and regional policymakers as well as from private businesses, financiers and workers and community leaders. We strongly believe that the Cape Wind project is a shining example of how best to bring these stakeholders together, invest in hope and opportunity, and create real jobs in the industries of the future.

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