















The Honorable Assembly Member Zbur 1021 O Street, Suite 4350 Sacramento, CA 95814

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RE: Support for AB 3- offshore wind port readiness and in-state manufacturing

Dear Assembly Member Zbur,

We applaud and support your leadership in addressing the climate crisis through offshore wind power, one of the state's greatest emerging clean energy solutions, and ensuring that California receives robust benefits from offshore wind development with AB 3.

California recently set ambitious goals for offshore wind power, kicking off the process of utilizing this vast renewable energy resource. AB 3 will set the state's offshore wind development on the right course by helping deliver on the technology's promise of affordable renewable energy, clean air, and quality jobs in California.

AB 3 would have the California Energy Commission (CEC) develop a plan to enhance seaport readiness for offshore wind development, and would have the CEC study the feasibility of achieving 70% and 85% in-state assembly and manufacturing of offshore wind energy projects.

As California transitions to 100% clean energy and aims to stave off the worst impacts of climate change, we should maximize the benefits of offshore wind so that more communities can benefit from cleaner air and quality job opportunities. We must ensure that we have access to key assembly components to bring more offshore wind to the state. For the past 10 years, and especially in the past three years, we have seen supply chain issues slow down the development of clean energy projects. By ensuring that a high percentage of the components for offshore wind are made in California, we will have more control over our clean energy future.

Thank you for your leadership and for authoring this important legislation that will help California take full advantage of renewable offshore wind energy to help meet our climate emissions targets by 2045 and secure robust economic benefits for communities across the state.

Sincerely,

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