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NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW OF A DRAFT PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The California State Lands Commission (CSLC) staff has prepared a Draft Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) in response to two separate applications submitted by CADEMO Corporation (CADEMO) and IDEOL USA Inc. (IDEOL) for proposed offshore wind energy demonstration projects, collectively referred to as the “Vandenberg Offshore Wind Energy Projects” (Projects). CSLC staff prepared the PEA as part of an early public scoping process and stakeholder outreach effort. CSLC staff is requesting your review and accepting written comments on the PEA.

Project Title:

Vandenberg Offshore Wind Energy Projects

Project Location:

Vandenberg Space Force Base (VSFB) in western Santa Barbara County and offshore within State waters (3 nautical miles) west of the Vandenberg State Marine Reserve.

Project Description:

CADEMO and IDEOL are each proposing to build offshore wind energy demonstration projects near VSFB. Each Applicant is proposing to install four floating wind turbines in State waters and to bring the electrical energy onshore to proposed new substations near Vandenberg Dock on VSFB with overhead transmission lines extending through VSFB. CADEMO's line would extend to Surf Substation near Surf Beach and would provide power to the California Independent Service Operator (CAISO) power grid. IDEOL's line would extend to Substation N in VSFB to provide power to VSFB, including additional infrastructure to connect to the CAISO power grid. Both Applicants are proposing to use Port Hueneme for construction staging of the wind turbines.

The Draft PEA can be downloaded, in PDF format, at [Offshore Wind Applications in State Waters | CA State Lands Commission](#).

The Draft PEA is available for a 60-day review and comment period beginning Friday, July 16, 2021, and ending Monday, September 13, 2021. All comments need to be received by **5:00 PM Monday, September 13, 2021**, to stateapplications.OSW@slc.ca.gov (write "**Vandenberg OSW Projects PEA comments**" in the email's subject line) or mailed to:

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The information in the PEA will inform the CSLC as it considers proceeding with the Environmental Impact Report process pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed Projects at its expected meeting on October 21, 2021. Please check the CSLC's website at <https://www.slc.ca.gov/> to confirm the specific date, time, and location. Should you have any questions or if you need additional information, please contact Shahed Meshkati at Shahed.Meshkati@slc.ca.gov or (562) 590-5401.

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