



## **Offshore Wind Energy Development: Public Industry Listening Session Regarding Mitigation of Munitions and Explosives of Concern Within Offshore Wind Lease Areas**

**Tuesday, November 16, 2021, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm EST**

The U.S. Committee on the Marine Transportation System (CMTS) Offshore Energy Facilitation Task Team (Offshore Energy TT) is hosting a virtual *Industry Listening Session* to directly hear from segments of the offshore wind industry regarding issues and impacts in mitigating munitions and explosives of concern (MEC) within outer continental shelf wind lease areas and near project areas including easements. Industry stakeholders are invited to articulate their current concerns and any recommendations related to MEC at the virtual listening session or in writing to [OffshoreEnergy@cmts.gov](mailto:OffshoreEnergy@cmts.gov).

Offshore wind energy stakeholders who intend to speak at this session are requested to email [OffshoreEnergy@cmts.gov](mailto:OffshoreEnergy@cmts.gov) by Friday, November 12, 2021 to be included with a list of presenters. The order of presenters is first-come, first-served. We appreciate if remarks could be kept to a ten-minute summary and one person per company. Additional comments may be submitted to [OffshoreEnergy@cmts.gov](mailto:OffshoreEnergy@cmts.gov). This *Listening Session* is intended to hear stakeholder input without engaging in a dialog. Once all oral comments or those received via the chat function in the TEAMS application during the webinar have been received, the session may disband early. Written comments will be accepted until **December 16, 2021**.

**Who Should Attend:** Lessees; Contractors; Support Services; Response Organizations, Safety Committees, Training Organizations, etc.

### **We welcome comments related to the following questions:**

1. What are your current ongoing MEC / UXO related challenges, issues, unresolved concerns, and how often do you encounter them?
2. What are the lessons learned by your previous experiences handling MECs / UXOs?
3. What steps can the Task Team take to facilitate industry's development efforts to fill any identified gaps in existing best practices and protocols?

**~ To Access the Listening Session via TEAMS ~**

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