

# MARYLAND'S REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

In September 2009, Maryland released a “Request for Expression of Interest” to offshore wind energy developers. This request was meant to gather information and gauge interest from developers about offshore wind energy in Maryland. Responses to this request will be used to assess Maryland’s options for offshore wind resource development.

- Nine (9) companies responded by the March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 deadline – Six (6) offshore wind energy developers and three (3) transmission companies
- Most responses suggested development in 300-500 megawatt range
- Typical distances to shore were between 8-15 nautical miles
- Responses identified the need for long-term power purchasing agreements
- The areas of interest were located in lease blocks along the Maryland – Delaware border:

