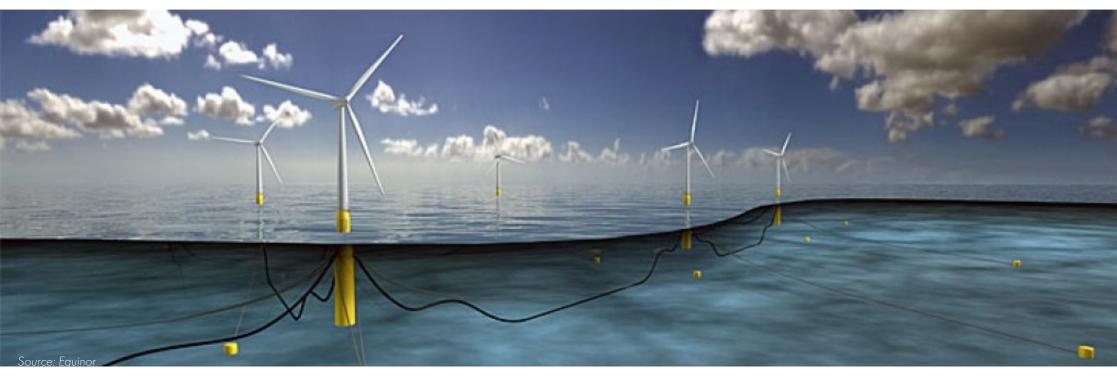
Offshore Wind For U.S. Territories





The Offshore Wind for Territories Act (H.R. 1014 – Rep. Gonzolez-PR/S. 499 – Sen. Cassidy-LA) ensures that U.S. territories such as Puerto Rico and Guam can strengthen their energy security through the development of local energy resources, while providing jobs and economic growth for their residents. Expanding offshore wind access for the U.S. territories is a long overdue bipartisan policy that will bring affordable and reliable electricity results to millions of U.S. citizens.

"The Department supports and looks forward to working with the committee on this important part of our Nation's energy strategy."

-Statement of support from the Trump administration

"The Department supports the intent... to expand the OCS Lands Act to include the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) offshore the Territories of the United States."

-Statement of support from the Obama administration

U.S. Territories Need Energy Relief

In terms of energy costs in the territories, offshore wind is extremely competitive. The first large scale U.S. offshore wind farm, Vineyard Wind, has an average cost of \$0.074/KWh over the 20 year life of the project. Meanwhile, industry estimates by 2030 offshore floating wind should be available in the range of \$0.05 to \$0.08/KWh

Average Electicity Rates for U.S. Territories

Territory	Average Price per Kilowatthour
Guam	\$0.21
Puerto Rico	\$0.22
U.S. Virgin Islands	\$0.47
American Samoa	\$0.26
Northern Mariana Islands	\$0.33
Average U.S. Price	\$0.13

Source: NREL

