

# QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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## INTRODUCTION

Thanks to the leadership of Governor Murphy, and the hard work of our colleagues at NJBPU, New Jersey took a major step towards our 11GW offshore wind goal in January. Congratulations to Attentive Energy and Leading Light Wind for their NJ3 awards! Adding these projects, along with Atlantic Shores 1, brings New Jersey's portfolio of planned offshore wind projects to more than 5.2 GW. Later this year, the BPU will open up a 4<sup>th</sup> round solicitation. Despite some setbacks in 2023, NJ is committed to reaching our offshore wind goals and realizing the economic development benefits of a robust new clean energy sector. We look forward to working with offshore wind developers, Tier 1 suppliers and other stakeholders to ensure that NJ businesses and other stakeholders benefit from these major investments in our clean energy future.

We were thrilled to co-host the NY/NJ Supplier Forum with our partners at NYSERDA on January 11. More than 400 attendees joined us for panel discussions and networking; we are proud to be partnering with New York to leverage the unique assets and ideal location of both states to be leaders in a domestic offshore wind supply chain. We have some exciting initiatives in the works, including joint industry trainings with Oceantic Network, development of a technical assistance program for small and diverse businesses, and the creation of a joint website for offshore wind workforce and training. Offshore wind is not only a tool to decarbonize our power sector, but also an engine for economic growth and job creation in our region.

A special note for our NJ manufacturers, please make sure to check out the [NJ Manufacturing Voucher Program page](#). This very popular grant program supports equipment purchases and is expected to launch again February 12th.

Onward!



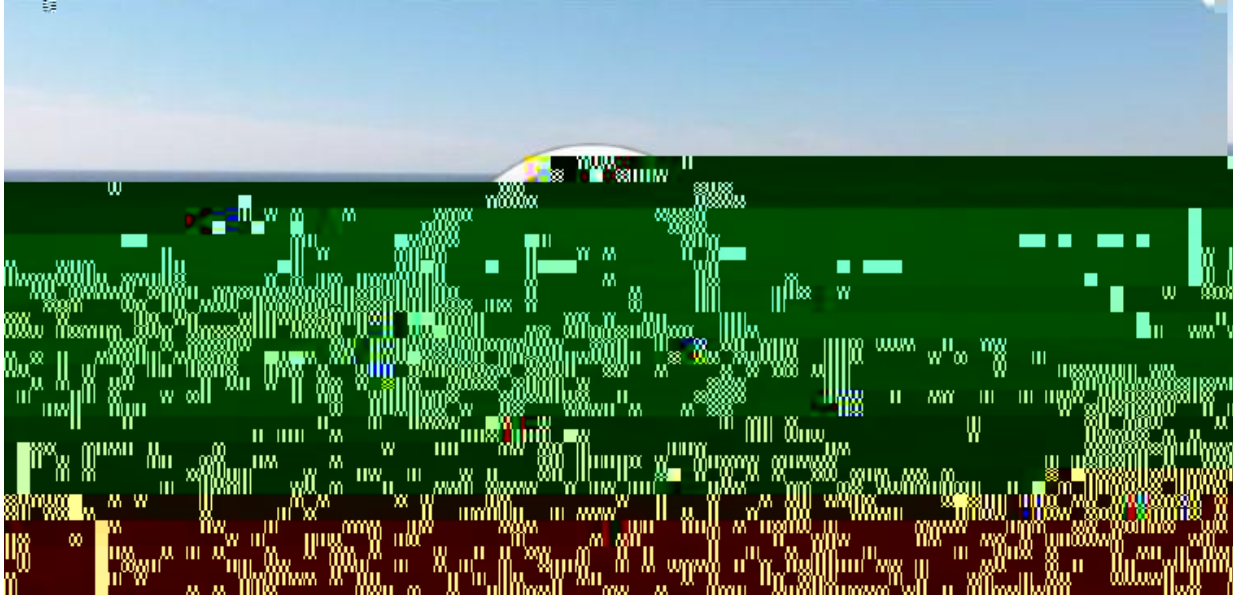
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# News Highlights

## NJ Hits Reset on Offshore Wind, Approves Two Massive Projects

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January 25, 2024

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## NJ Approves Two More Big Offshore Wind Projects

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January 24, 2024

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## BPU to Accelerate New Offshore Wind Solicitation

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November 30, 2023

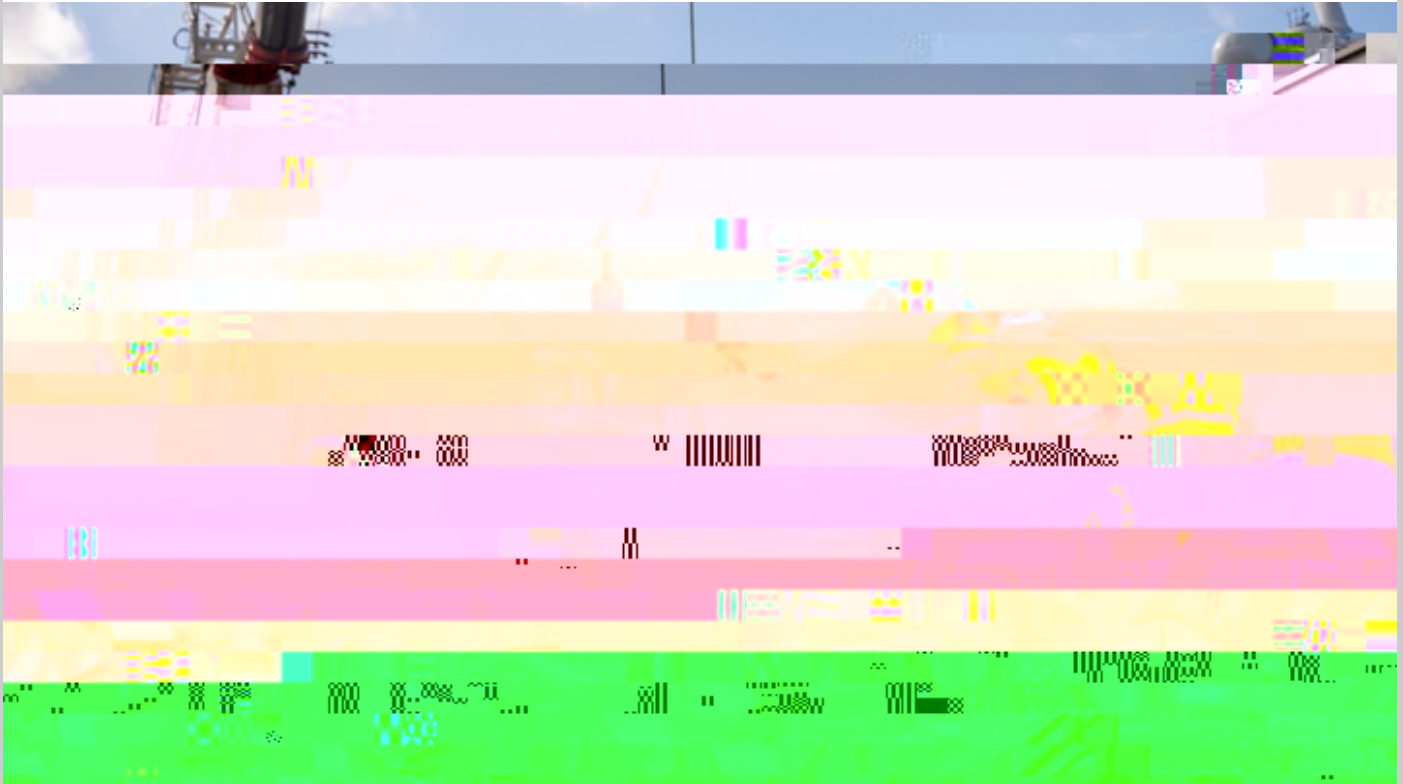
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## Steel in Water for 1st Major US Wind Farm

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October 2, 2023

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## **New Jersey based Riggs Distler Supports Offshore Wind efforts in the Northeast**

Founded in 1909 during a progressive and prosperous time of industrial innovation and expansion in United States history, Riggs Distler, a Centuri Company, was one of the first companies to combine mechanical, electrical, and utility construction services under one hat. Riggs Distler employs the industry's best project managers and union craft personnel to deliver lasting construction solutions. For over a century, they have partnered with the Energy and Utility industries to develop the infrastructure that powers the Eastern United States. Now Riggs Distler's 100 years of experience stands behind Centuri's 100-year plan and vision for a sustainable future. To support an ongoing commitment to renewable energy, Riggs Distler was early to investigate opportunities in the emerging offshore wind market.

### **Gaining Momentum in the US Offshore Wind Market**

In the early months of 2019, Riggs Distler sought to identify work that complemented their unique skillset, learn from experts in the field in Europe, and investigate businesses in the US that would evolve and grow with the market. The first step was easy, because they knew their heavy industrial and renewable energy work over the past decades would lend itself to the onshore construction of portions of wind turbines. Finding the right organization to learn from, Riggs Distler established a partnership with Smulders, a global steel construction firm with more than 50 years of experience in the design, manufacture, distribution, and assembly of steel components, as well as 22 years in the offshore wind sector. In 2020, US based LJUNGSTRÖM was recognized as a prospective partner for planned OSW projects. Given LJUNGSTRÖM's similar corporate longevity and evolution towards a more sustainable energy future, Riggs Distler was convinced there would be additional compatibilities as they continued to work together in the early stages of project estimation and development. As Riggs Distler learned more about the different product lines involved in offshore wind work, as well as the commitment that developers were

being asked to make to local supply chain development and spending, Riggs Distler grew confident that LJUNGSTRÖM was a good fit for their journey into the offshore wind sector. Smulders and LJUNGSTRÖM were the first of an elite set of organizations now working with Riggs Distler to learn, grow and evolve to pt a zat relM col co ggV uco pf r







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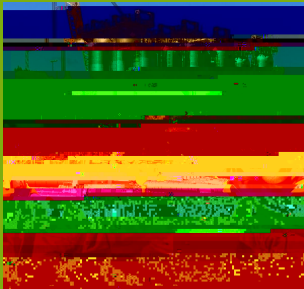
Additional Upcoming Offshore Wind  
Ready Training  
Coming to Mullica Hill, NJ on April 11th

[April Offshore Wind Ready](#)

## EVENT RECAP: NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY JOINT OFFSHORE WIND SUPPLIER FORUM



On Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup> NYSERDA and NJEDA kicked off the new year with the NY-NJ Offshore Wind Supplier Forum in Brooklyn, NY. The impressive turnout made this event the largest in NYSERDA history and indicates the strong interest and capabilities of the NY-NJ region's suppliers in offshore wind. It was a full day of networking, presentations, and discussion of industry trends and market opportunities.



industry, government, and academic institutions, building products and businesses. At the EDA, he manages stakeholder relationships, helps the team in organizing relevant events for industry, creates new programs to assist diverse, small businesses and works on critical state, regional and international partnerships to develop the supply chain. Siddhartha lives in Camden and in his free time, he loves to read and write.

## NJEDA PRODUCTS:

After an extremely successful Phase 1 launch, the **Manufacturing Voucher Program (MVP)** will soon launch phase 2 to provide manufacturers with grant funding to purchase manufacturing equipment.

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