



NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has prepared a draft supplemental Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze and describe the potential environmental impacts associated with the:

**University of Maine's
Deepwater Offshore Floating Wind Turbine Testing and
Demonstration Project – Castine Harbor Test Site
Castine, Hancock County, Maine
DOE/EA 1792-S1**

DOE's Golden Field Office has prepared the supplemental EA in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The University of Maine is proposing to use Congressionally directed federal funding, from DOE, to deploy, test and retrieve one 1/8-scale floating wind turbine (20kw) prototype in Castine Harbor, offshore of Castine Maine. This test would be conducted prior to testing at the site 2 miles from Monhegan Island (evaluated under DOE/EA 1792). The draft supplemental EA is available for review at the following website:

http://www.eere.energy.gov/golden/NEPA_DEA.aspx

Public comments on the EA's analysis and results of the environmental impacts of implementing the proposed action will be accepted until **January 27, 2013**. Please mail comments to the **DOE Golden Field Office**, c/o Laura Margason, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401, or by email to laura.margason@go.doe.gov.