

# SBU SPIR Energy Lunch and Learn

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# Background

- Born and raised in Stony Brook, NY
- Graduated RIT in 2020 with B.S/M.S. in Mechanical Engineering
- Started wind career at Clemson Wind Turbine Drivetrain test facility (Charleston, SC)
- Invenergy Wind Operations engineer 2021-2023 (Chicago, IL)
- Orsted WTC Operations Engineer Oct 2023 (East Setauket, NY)
  - First line of technical/engineering support to onsite technicians
  - Proactively identify issues before leading to downtime
  - Reactively perform root cause analysis for failures/faults
  - Performance and asset health monitoring
- Fun fact: Love to snowboard 😊



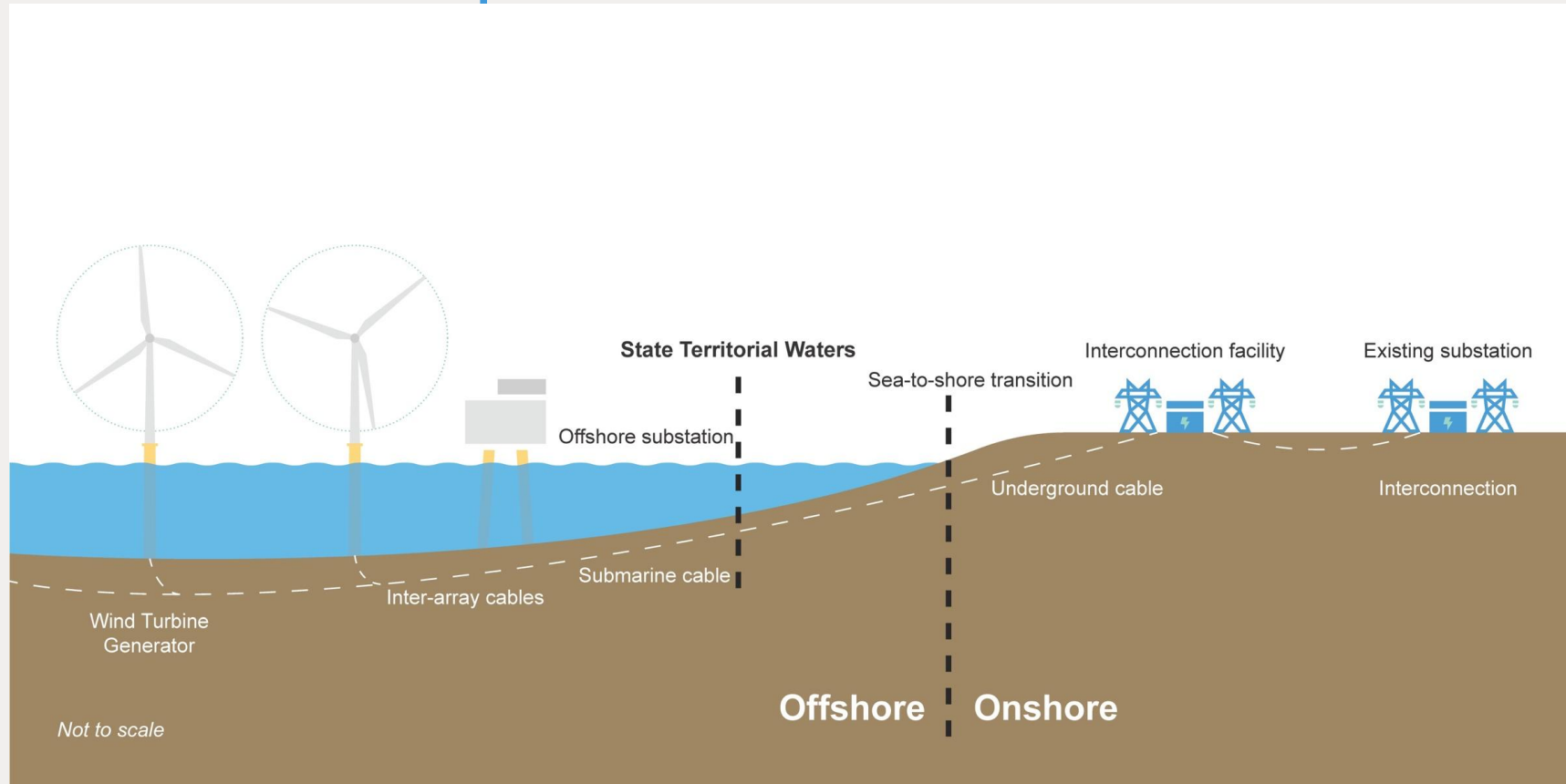
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[Wind Turbine Test Beds \(clemson.edu\)](#)

[South Fork Wind just became the US's first complete utility-scale offshore wind farm \(electrek.co\)](#)

<https://twitter.com/REnewables/status/1479437930754150411>

# Offshore Wind Components





GE 1.5/77sle turbine at the National Wind Technology Center. Photo... | [Download Scientific Diagram \(researchgate.net\)](#)



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The first SG 10-155 DD

FY19: The year of execution in SGRE Offshore



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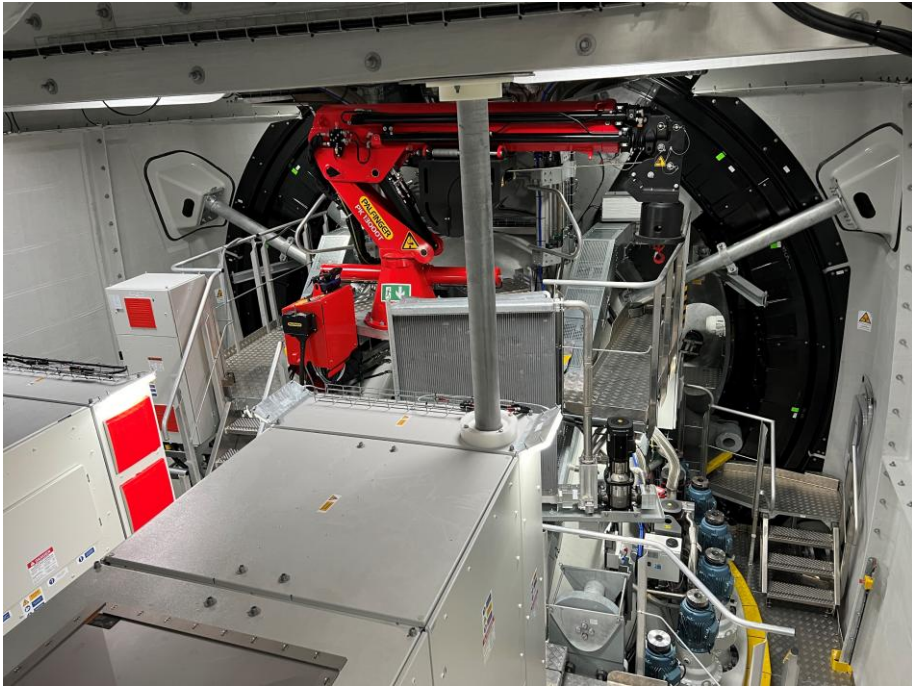
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## Nacelle/Hub Entrance

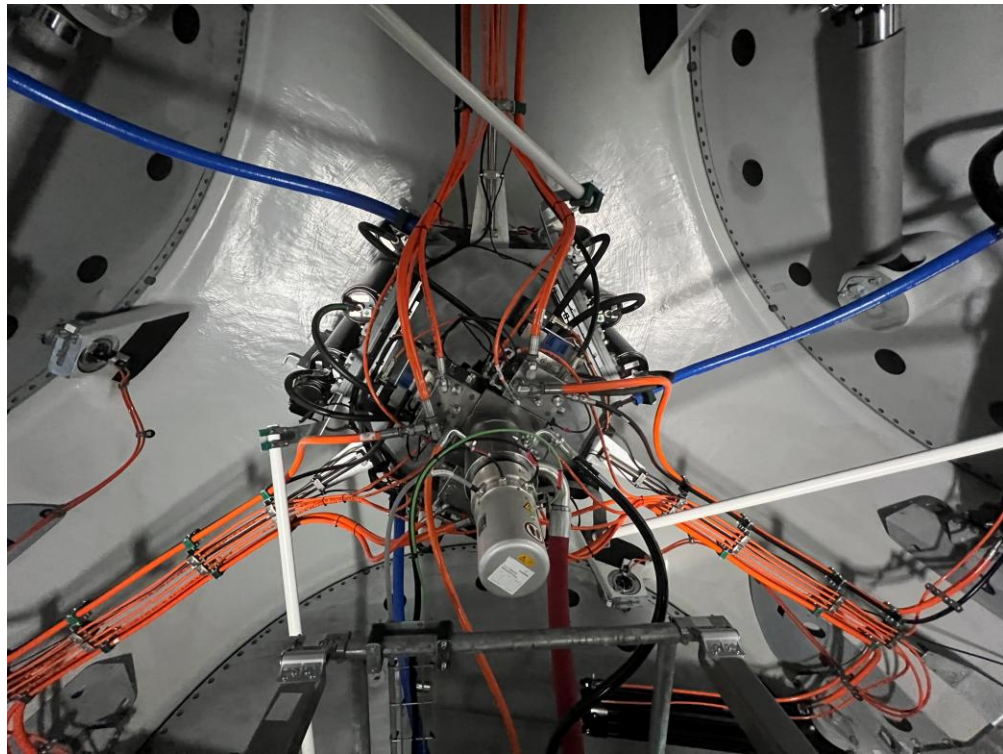
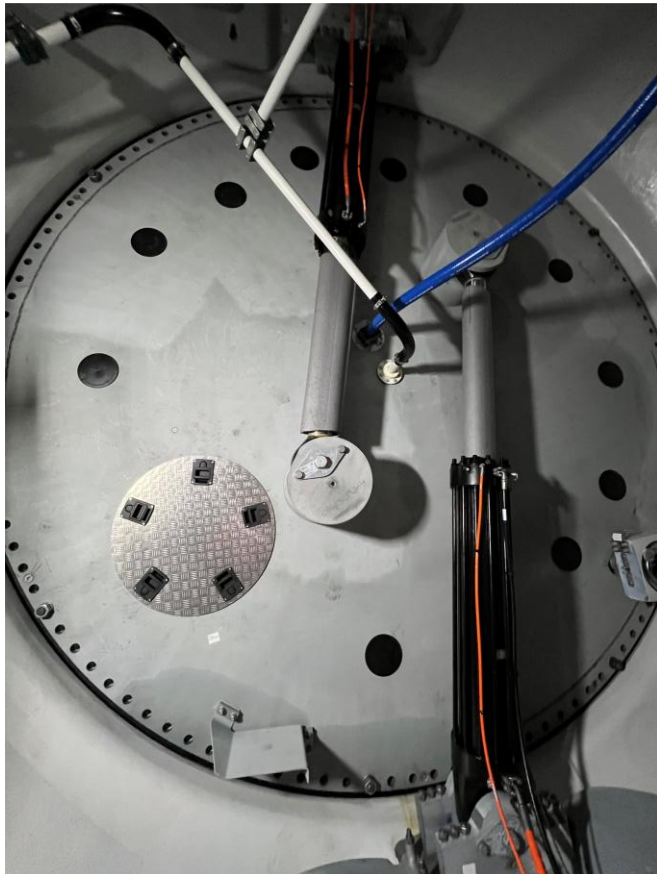


# Crane and Turbine Control Cabinets





## Pitch System inside Hub



# Yaw System/Converters



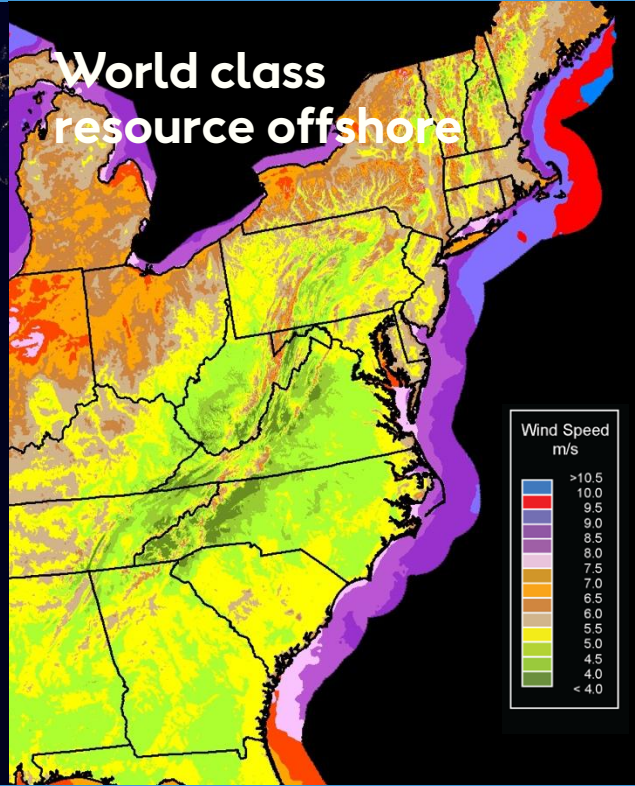


# Offshore Wind on Long Island

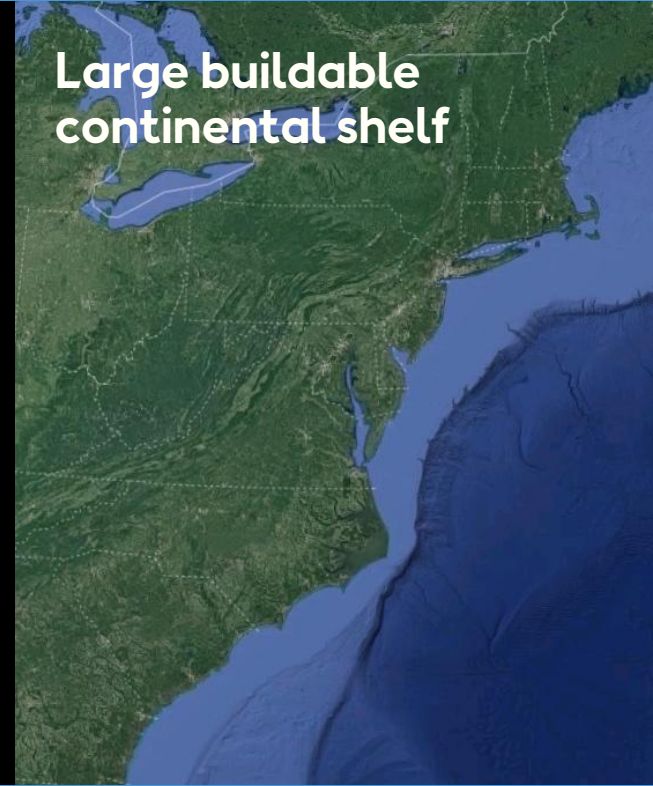
**Huge coastal  
electricity demand**



**World class  
resource offshore**

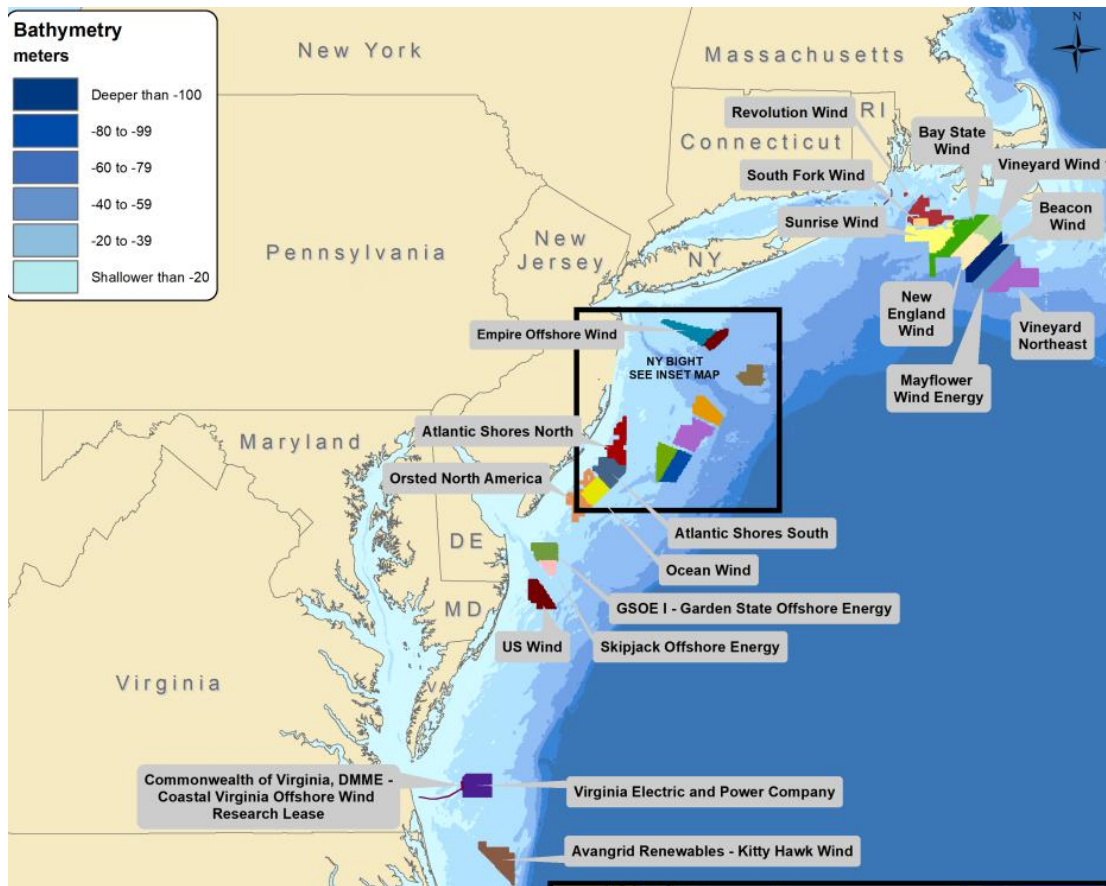


**Large buildable  
continental shelf**





# East Coast Offshore Wind Market Overview



- Biden Administration OSW target for the US was **30GW by 2030**
- States set OSW targets and drive procurements.
- New York OSW goal is **9GW by 2035**

# Opportunities in Offshore Wind

- **Turbine/Foundation/Substation Design**
  - Material Science, Strength of Materials, Dynamics, Controls, Composites, Vibrations, Fluid Mechanics, Heat Transfer, Electrical Eng
- **Wind Farm Development**
  - Data analytics/numerical methods, Meteorology/Oceanic Studies, Statistics, Civil Engineering (Land Surveying, Foundations)
- **Wind Farm Construction**
  - Marine Science, Environmental Studies, Rigging/Lifting/Statics/Strengths
- **Wind Farm Operations**
  - Controls, Data Analytics, Strength of Materials, Vibrations, Meteorology, Marine Science, Coastal/Environmental Studies (and all same areas as design for SMEs)
- **Narrow vs Broad opportunities available at all levels**
  - i.e. Subject matter expert (SME) and main point of contact for one area, or more generalist weaving knowledge of multiple disciplines together
- **Opportunities for improvements and rapid change at all parts of wind turbine/farm life cycle**