

EXEC: WIND FARM WOULD CREATE THOUSANDS OF JOBS



Deepwater Wind wants to build a \$1.5 billion wind-energy farm off the coast of Rhode Island, and says the project could create thousands of jobs. Chris Wissemann, COO of Deepwater Wind, told Governor Don Carcieri and the state Economic Policy Council that the project would create as many as 1,200 jobs to design, assemble, and install wind turbines. Thousands of other new jobs could be created in the manufacturing of turbine parts for additional projects. The company wants to erect 106 turbines off Block Island. The project would need to reach financing and power purchase agreements with utilities that serve the state.

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