

OFFSHORE WIND ACCELERATOR PROJECT WEBINAR SERIES

Making History With VoltturnUS

Dr. Habib Dagher, University of Maine - Orono



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Today's Agenda

- Presentation by **Dr. Habib Dagher**, founding Director of the Advanced Structures and Composites Center at the University of Maine - Orono
- Time for questions

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Offshore Wind Accelerator Project

OWAP Objective: Address key challenges facing offshore wind in five focus areas

1. Ensure cooperation and communication among stakeholders and government leaders on priority problem-solving.
2. Improve regulatory approaches to support smart siting while reducing review costs & timelines.
3. Advance investment through power procurement collaborative networks and use of new financing mechanisms.
4. Advance opportunities, strategies, and collaboration to build a domestic OSW industry.
5. Implement a communication effort to ensure public education and stakeholder access to objective information.

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Today's Presenter

**Dr. Habib
Dagher**



Dr. Dagher joins us from the University of Maine's Advanced Structures and Composites Center, where he oversees 40 associated faculty and full-time staff and 150 graduate and undergraduate students. The University of Maine recently launched the U.S.'s first grid-connected floating offshore wind turbine, the VoltturnUS prototype, which Dr. Dagher will discuss today.

Dr. Dagher received his doctorate in structural engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He holds two masters degrees in structural engineering and in engineering mechanics.

Thank you!



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OWAP Webinar

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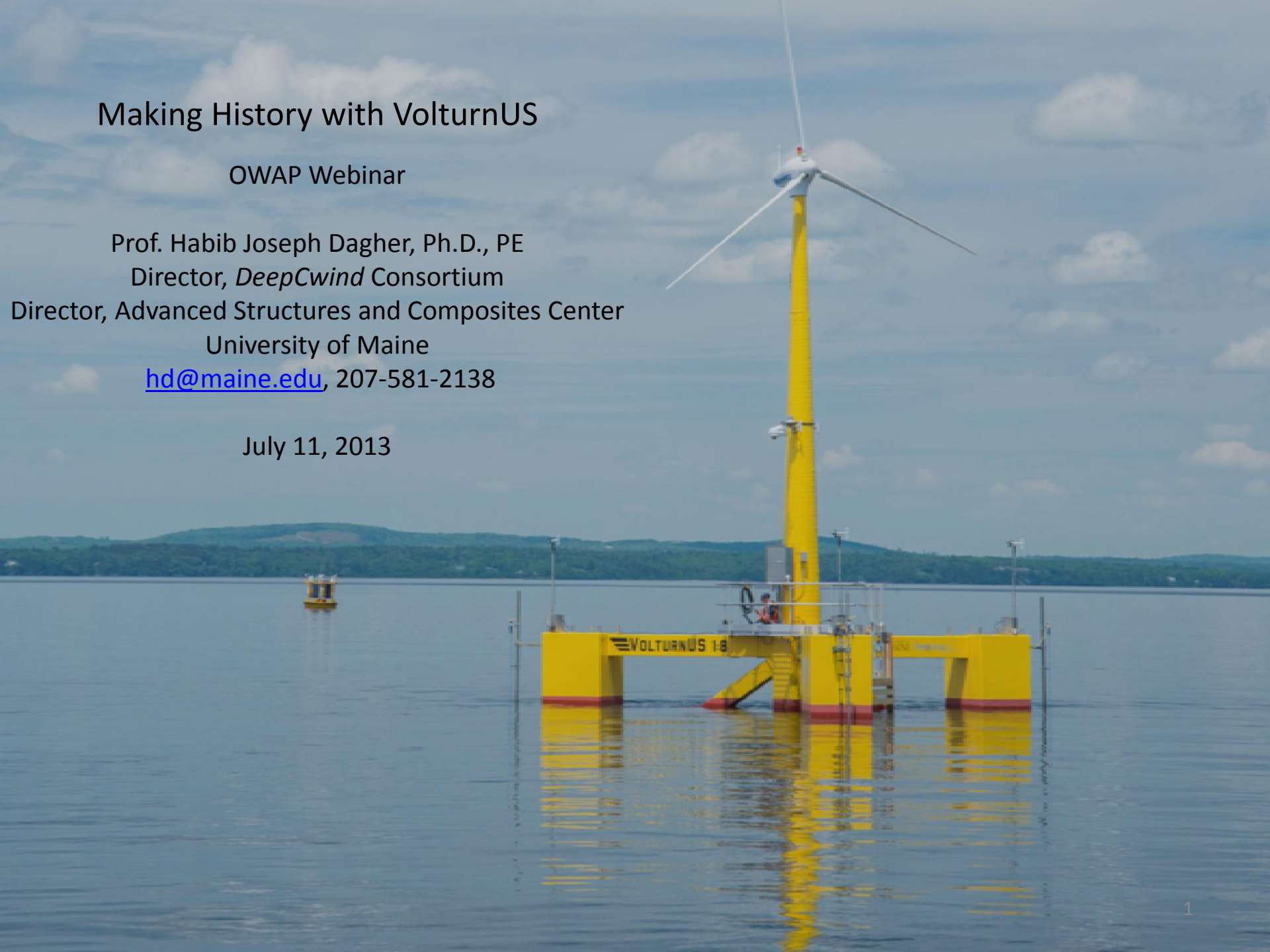
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Outline

- The UMaine Composites Center
- Maine 5 GW by 2030 Plan
- 1:50 scale testing program
- VoltturnUS 1:8 development
- DOE Advanced Technology Demo. Project

Advanced Structures and Composites Center

180 personnel
87,000 ft² space
15 years



Composites
Industry

Construction
Industry

Advanced Structures and Composites Center

World Leader in Composites Materials Development, Design and Testing



- 2007 ACMA Best of Show
- 2007 ACMA People's Choice
- 2009 ACMA Most Creative Composites Product
- 2010 ACMA Most Creative Composites Product
- 2011 ASCE Pankow Innovation Award

Longest Composite Bridge in the World, 540ft (Maine, 2011)

From the Lab



Composite Pilings



- ✓ **Spinoff company:** Harbor Technologies, Brunswick, ME
- ✓ **Technology:** FRP tubes designed and developed at UMaine
- ✓ **Pilot line:** built and now selling product throughout the world.



“Bridge-in-a-Backpack”

Technology: Hybrid bridge system combining benefits of high-performance composites with cast-in-place concrete

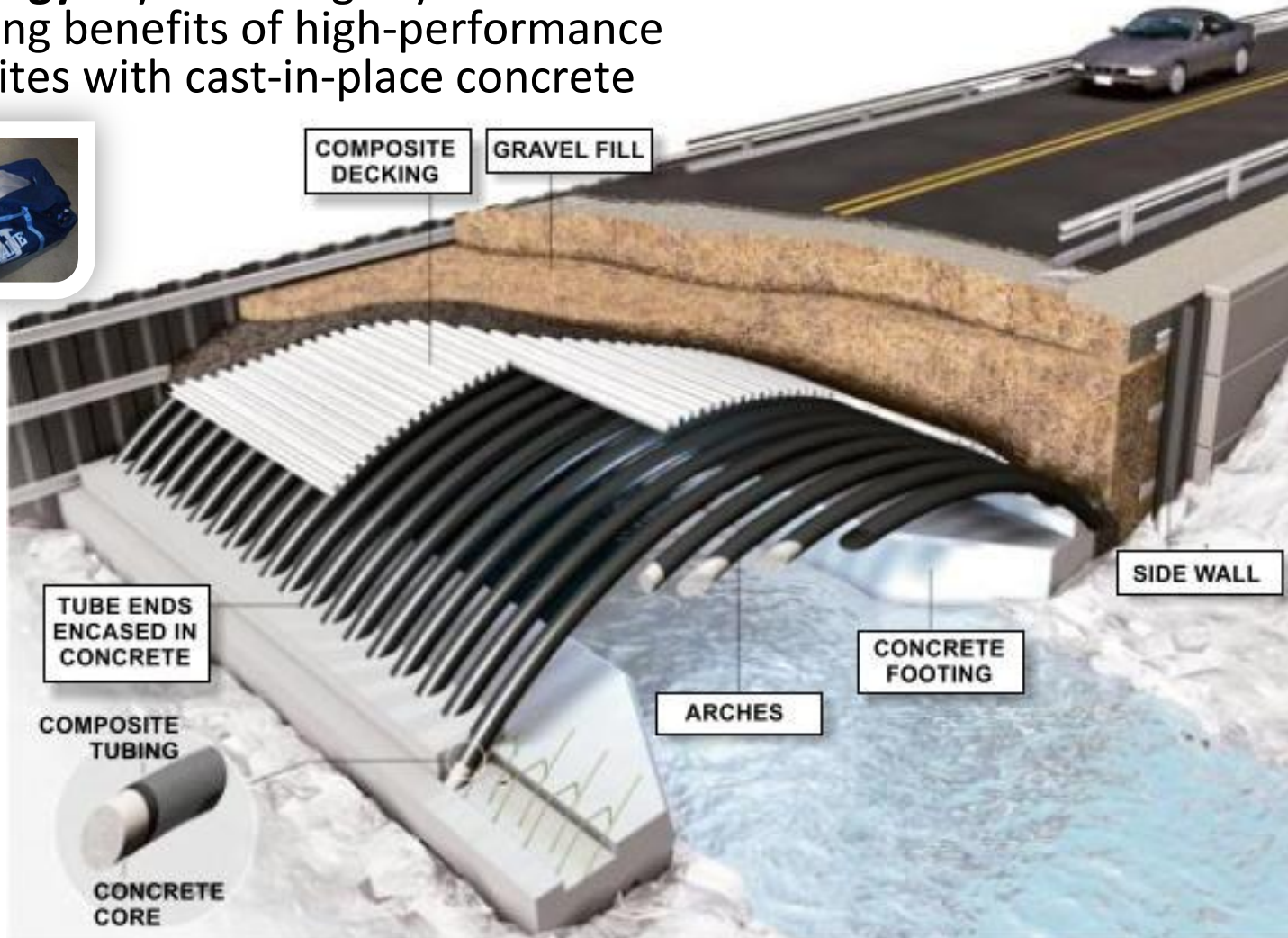


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Penobscot Narrows Bridge, Maine



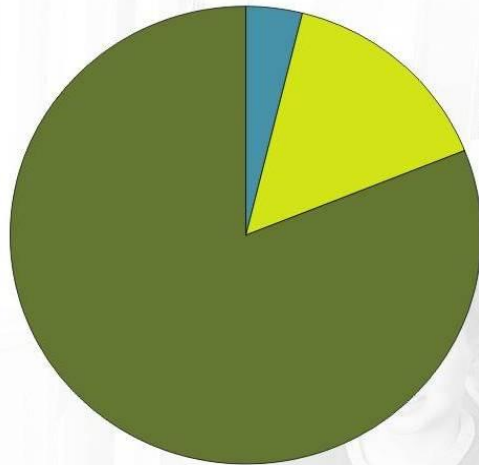
Composite Ship Structures

MAKO Composite Patrol Craft



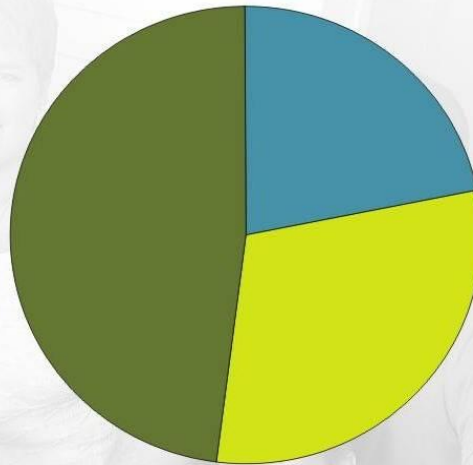
Maine Family Budget

Energy ~5%



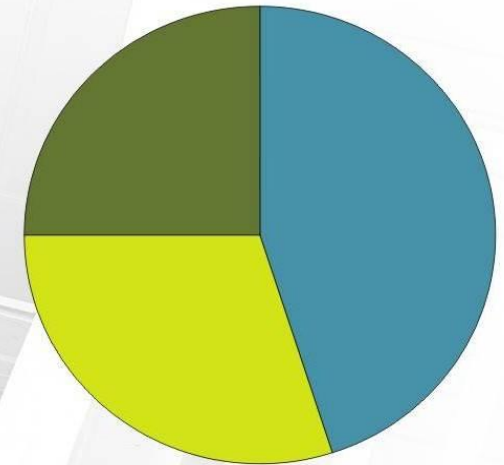
1998

Energy ~20%²
at \$4/gallon



2008, 2012

Energy
~40%³



2018

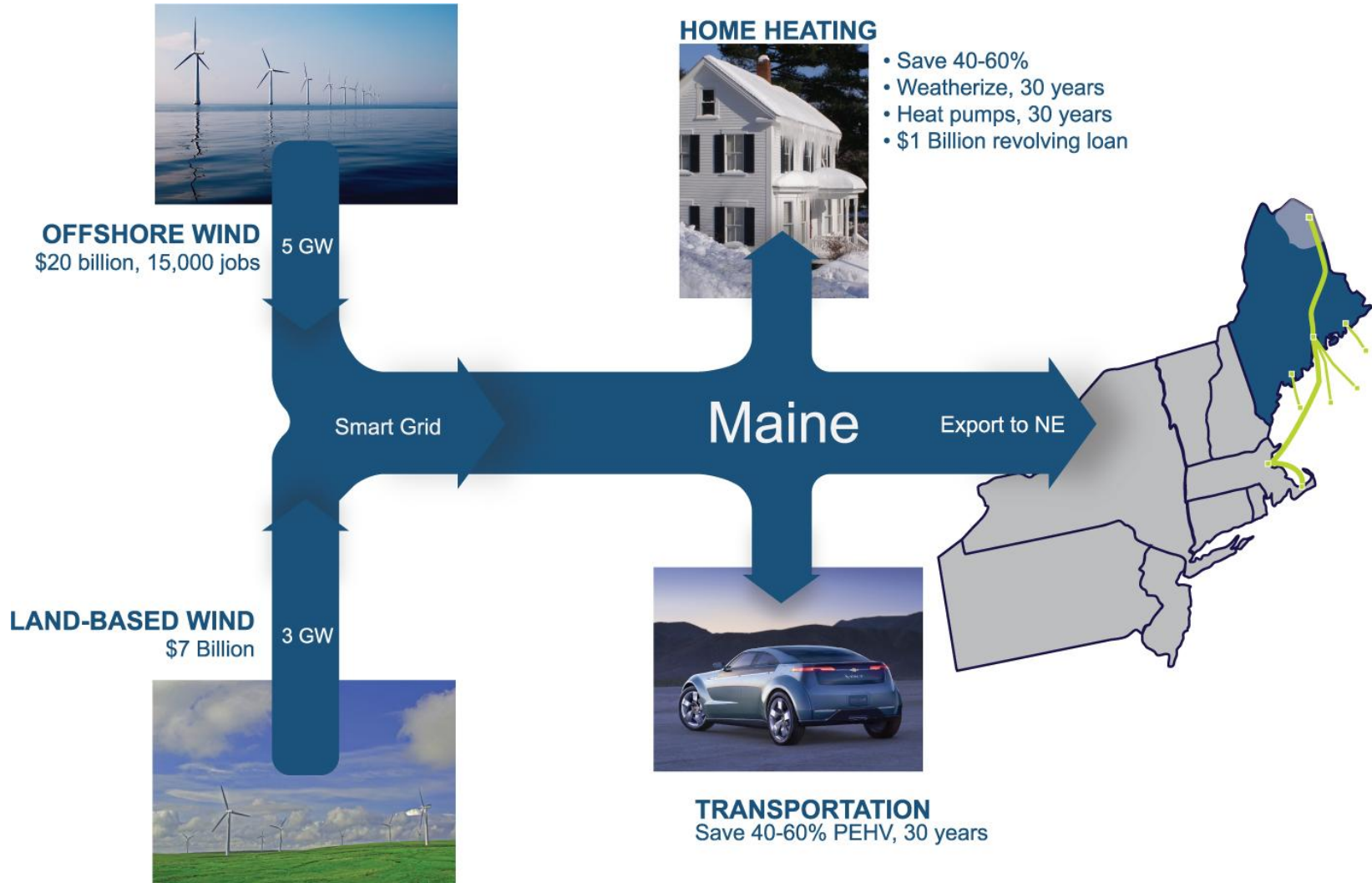
“Family Energy”^{1,2} = 50% Transportation
40% Heating
10% Electric Power

¹ Source: Dr. George Hart, UMaine

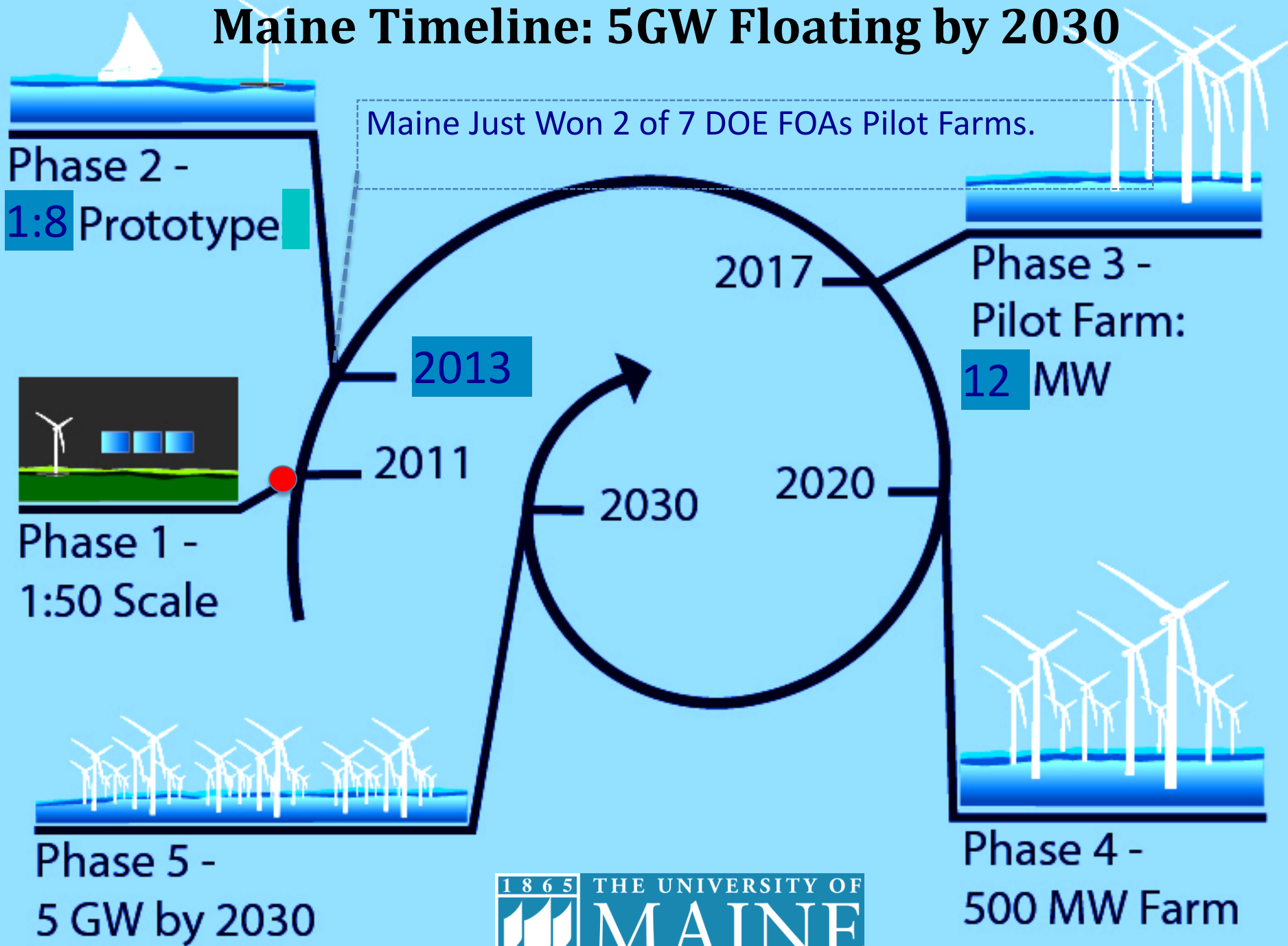
² Based July '08 energy costs

³ Assumes that health care costs do not grow past 30% of the average family budget in 2008-2018

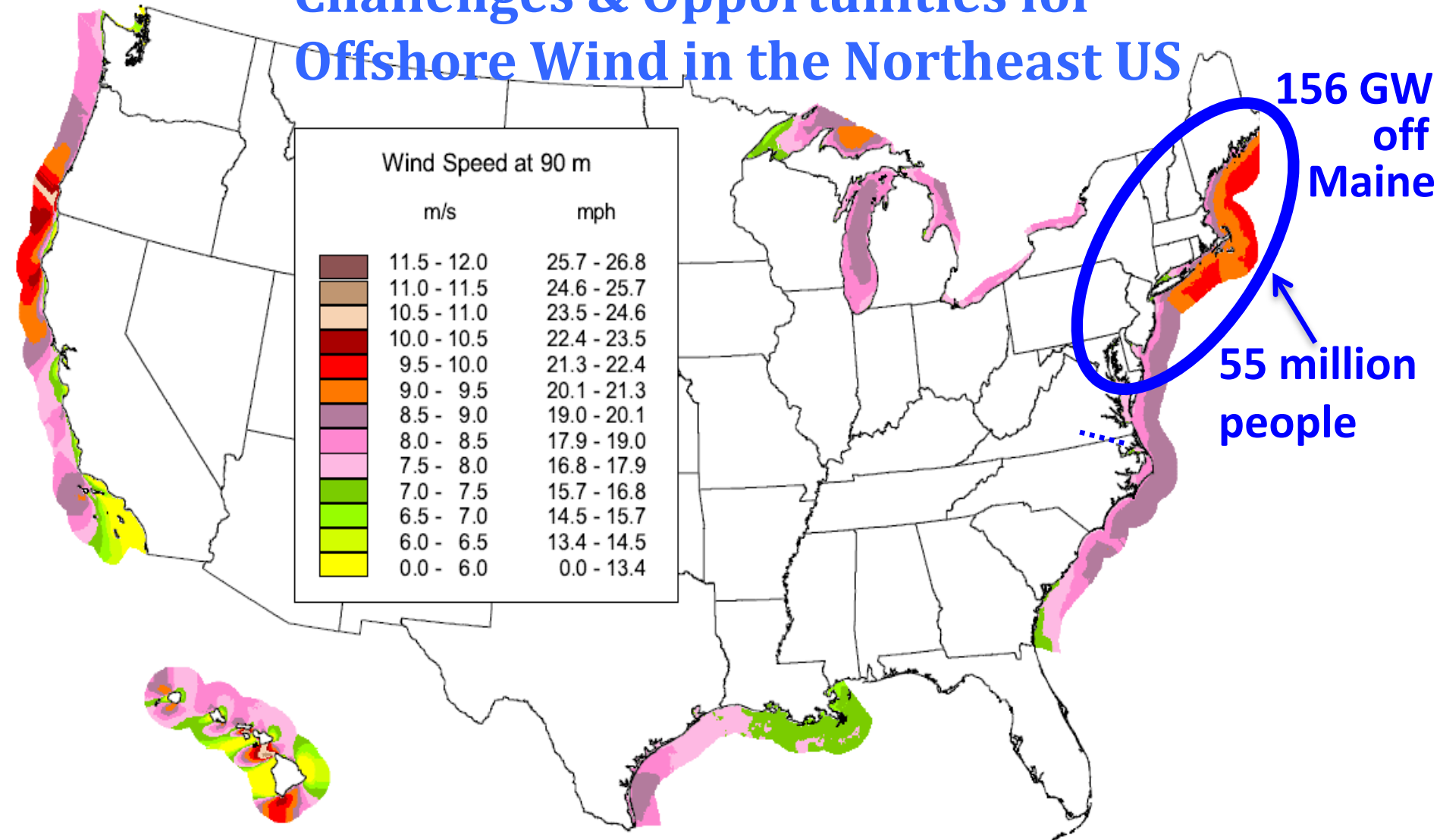
Maine Plan: 5GW Floating 2030



Maine Timeline: 5GW Floating by 2030



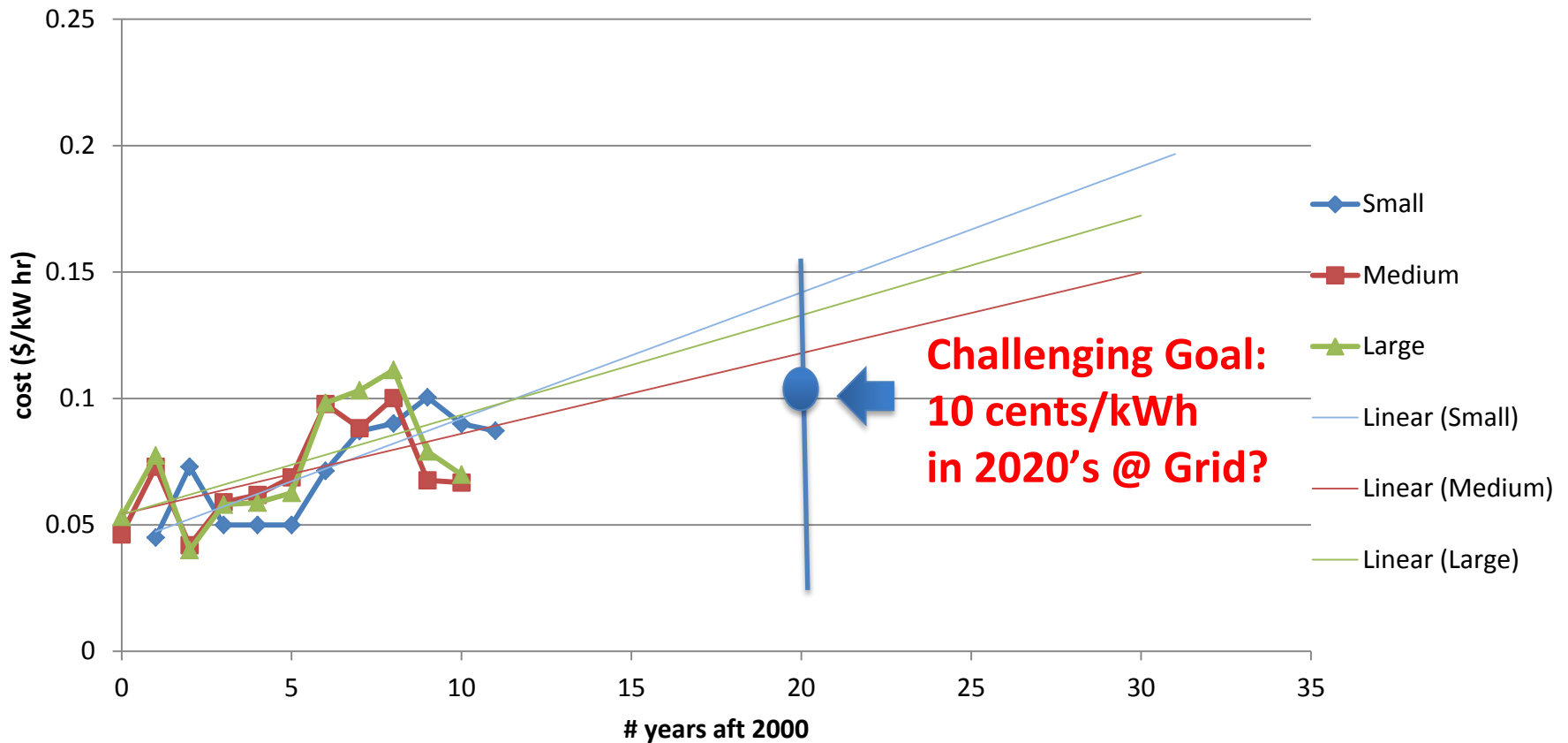
Challenges & Opportunities for Offshore Wind in the Northeast US



Source: "Assessment of Offshore Wind Energy Resources for the United States", by Marc Schwartz, Donna Heimiller, Steve Haymes, and Walt Musial, Technical Report, NREL/TP-500-45889, June 2010

#1 Challenge: *Reduce Cost of Offshore Wind*

Supply Standard Offer - Historic and Projected - BHE



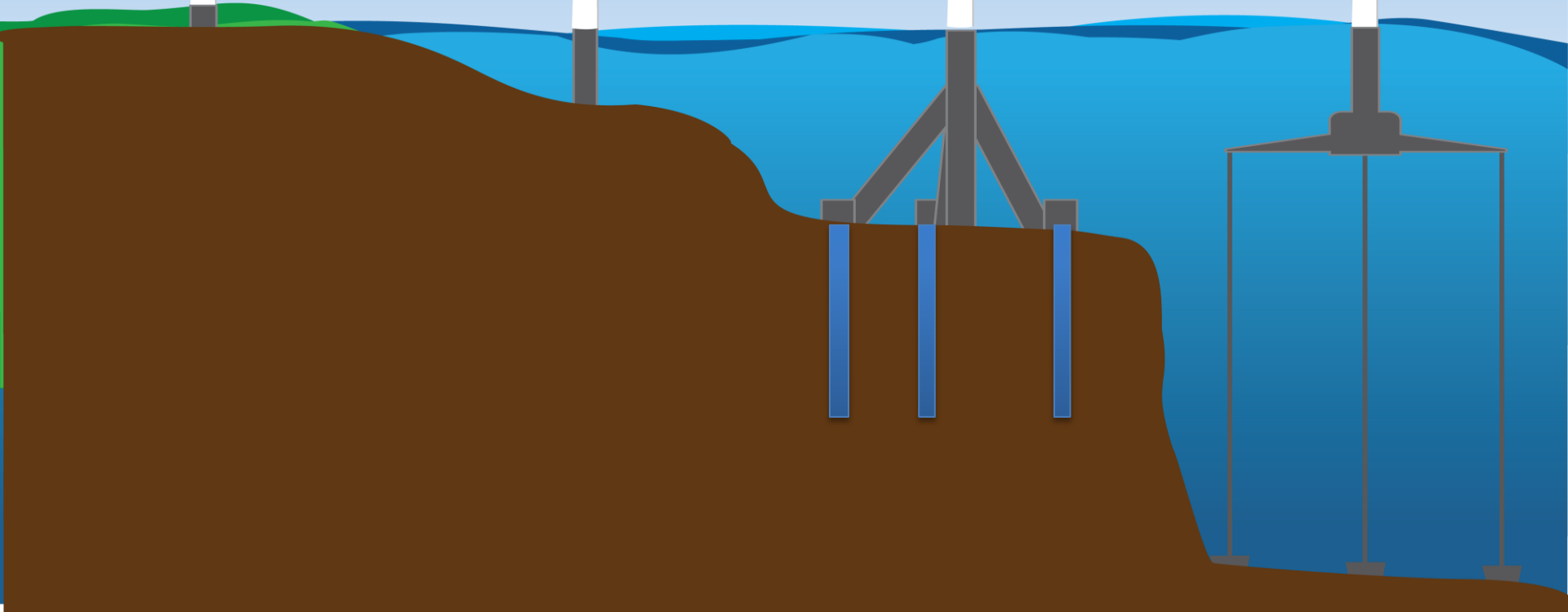
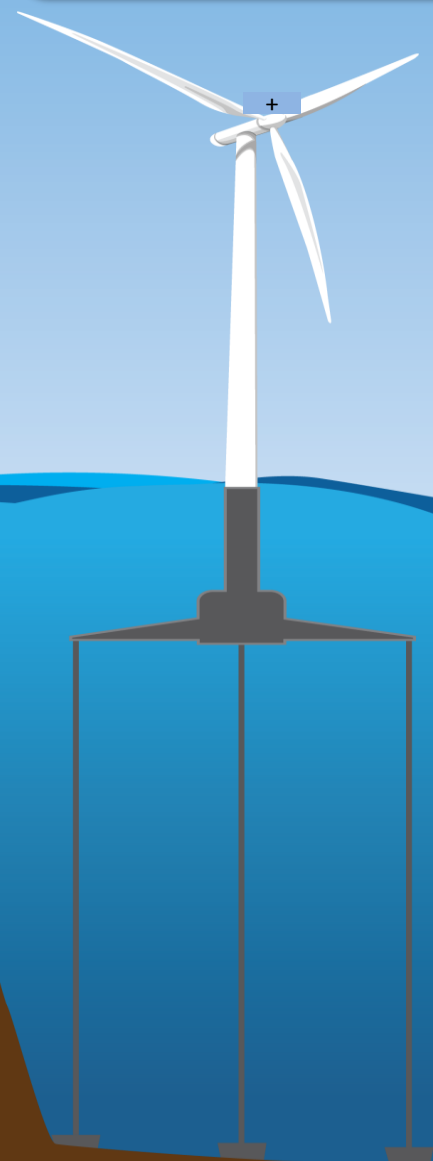
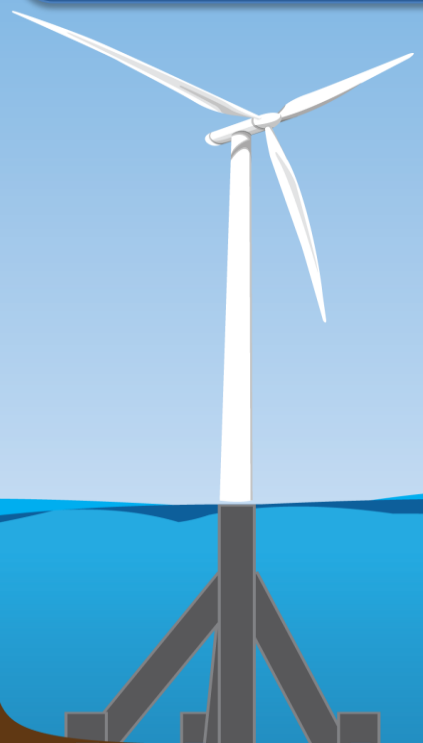
Source: Jake Ward, UMaine
Maine PUC data - Not inflation adjusted

Land-based

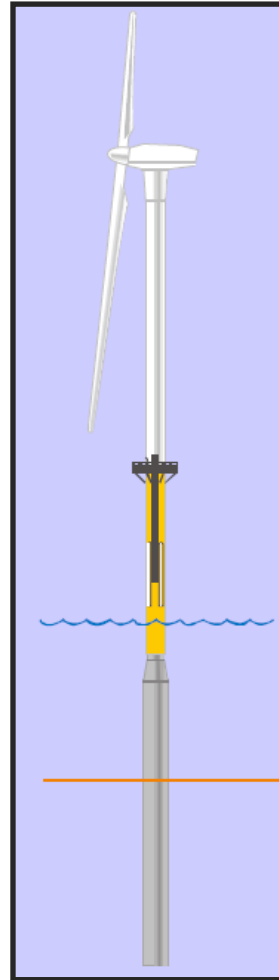
Shallow
< 30 m

Transitional
30-60 m

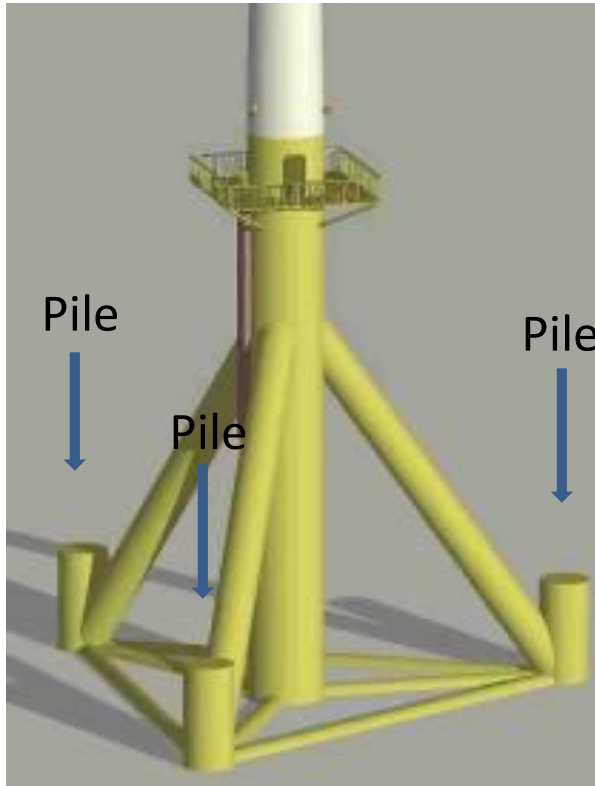
Deepwater
> 60 m



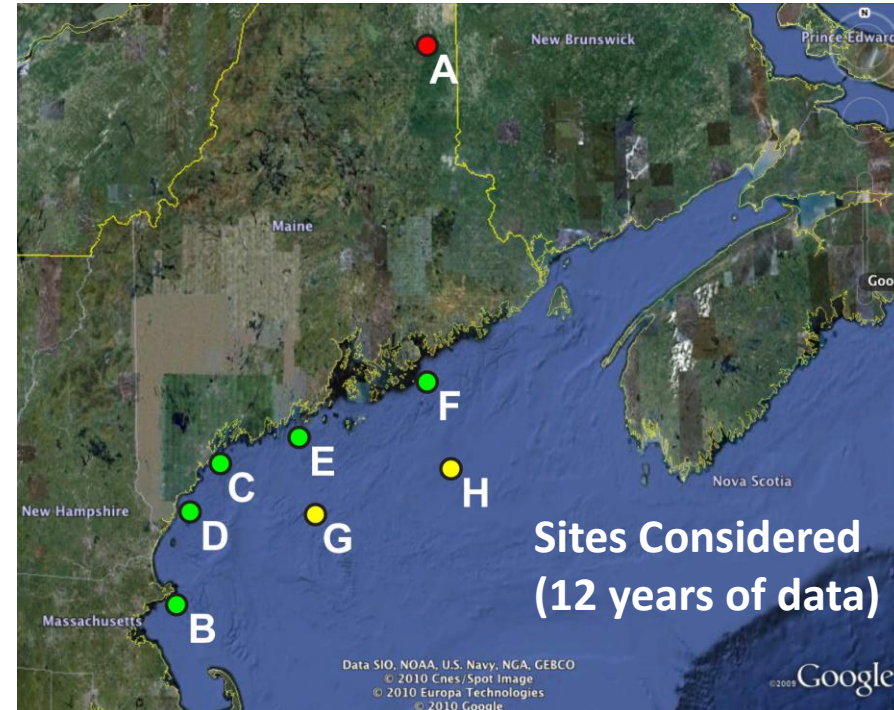
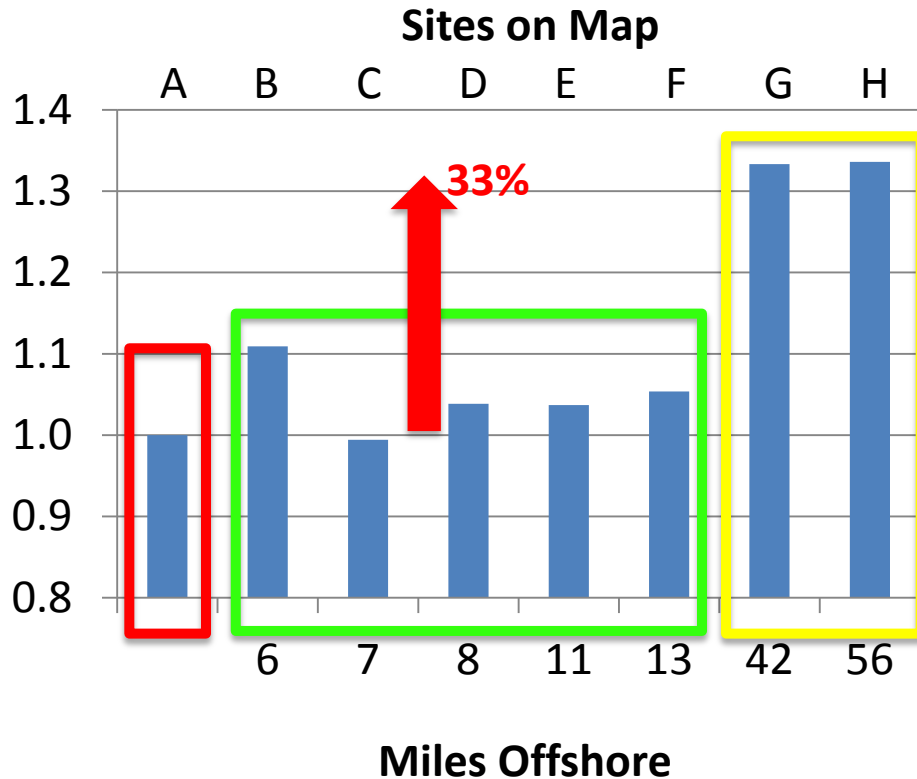
Gulf of Maine Region Lacks Heavy Offshore Construction Assets



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Normalized Annual Production in Gulf of Maine: Hilltop, Near-shore, and Far Offshore Sites

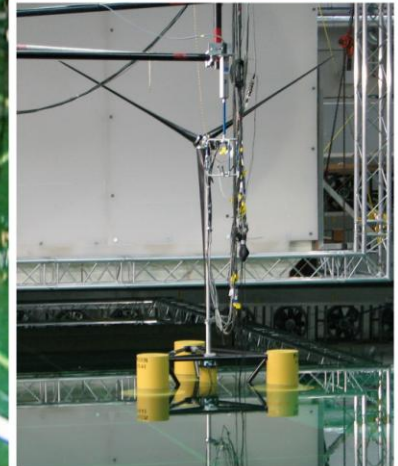
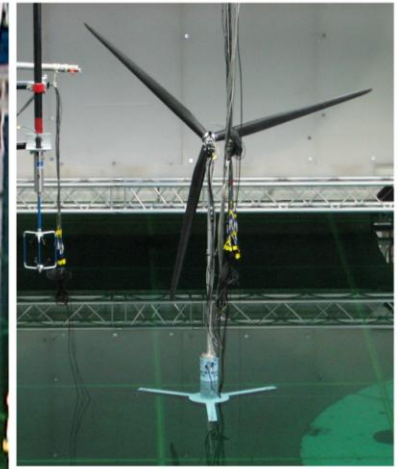
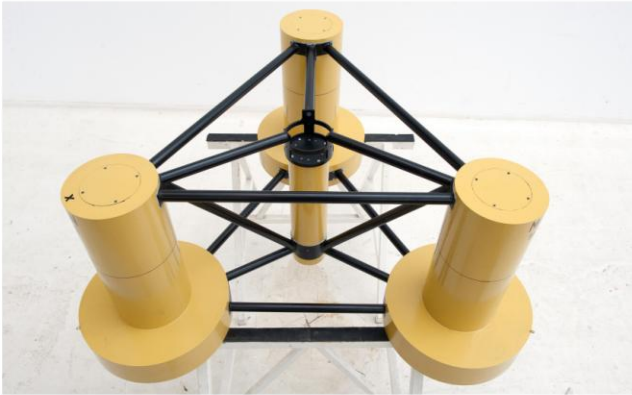


Hill Top

Near Shore

Far Offshore

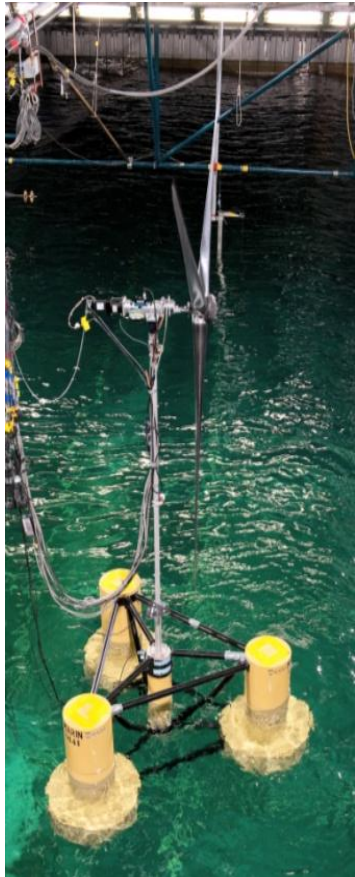
3 Hulls, 60 Metocean Conditions



All viable!

Choice depends on local conditions

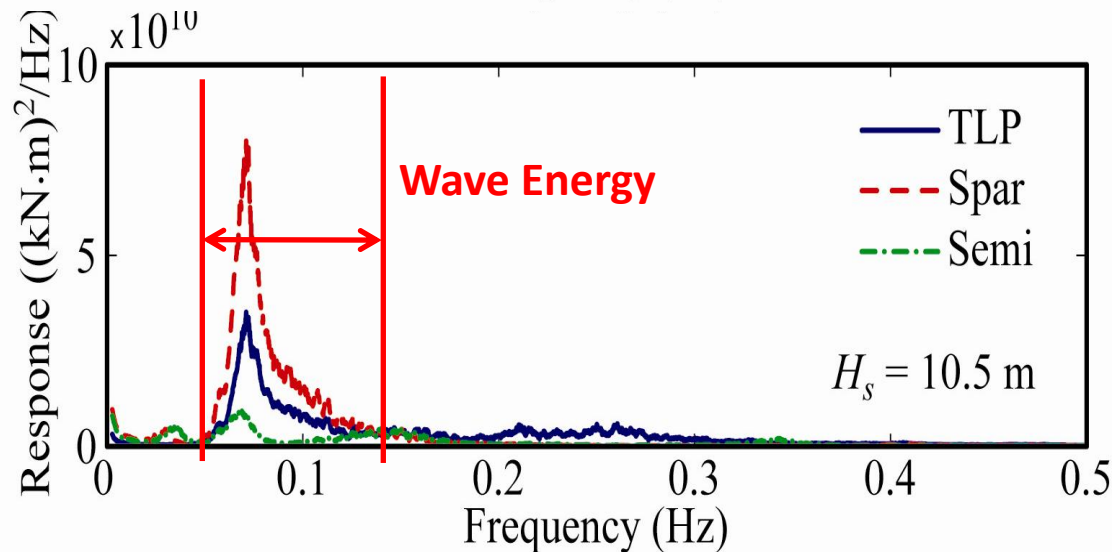
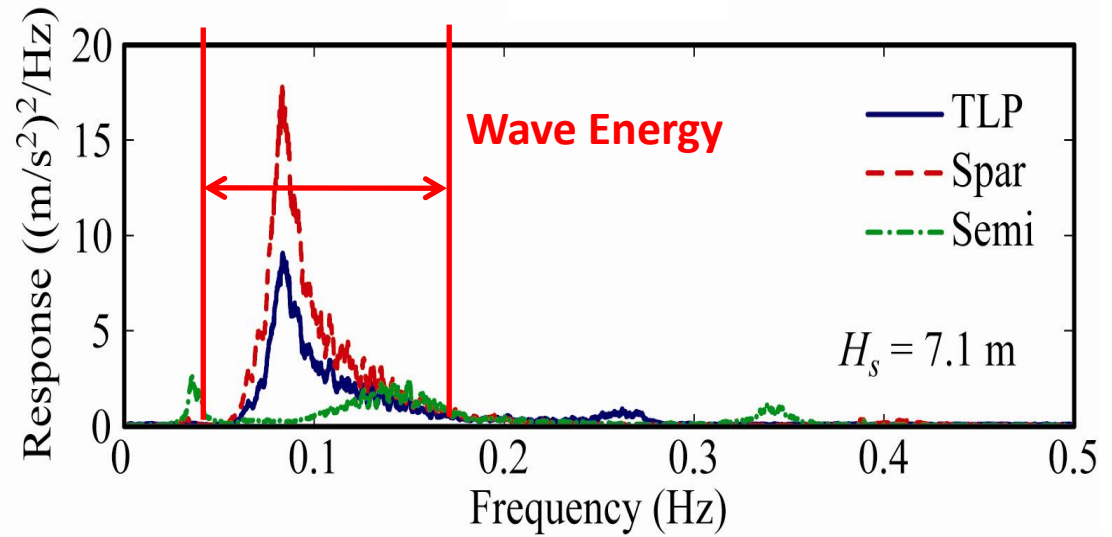
1:50 Scale Test Results



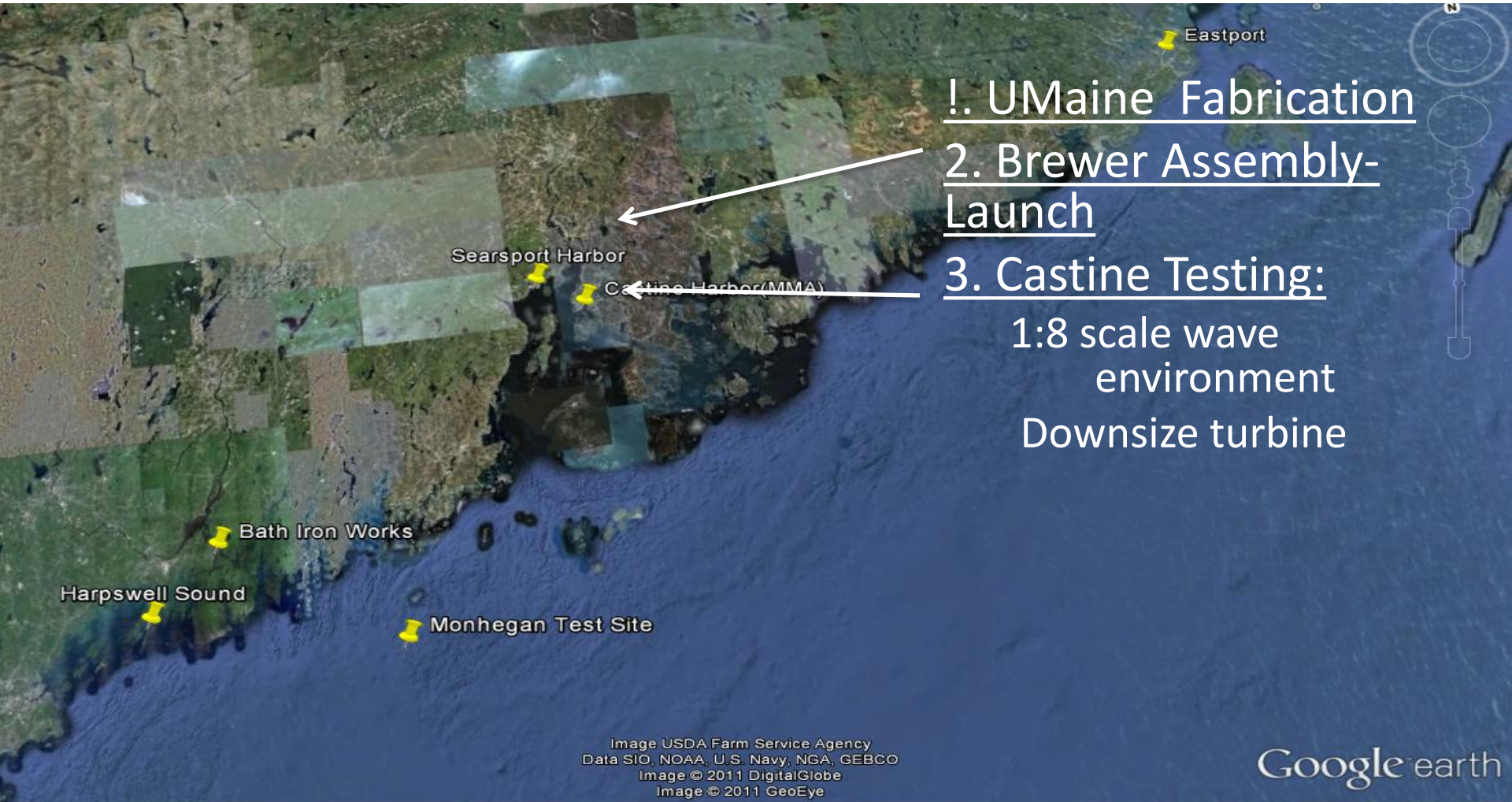
Low Nacelle
Surge Acceleration



Low Tower
Bending Moment



VoltturnUS 1:8 Scale



1. UMaine Fabrication
2. Brewer Assembly-Launch
3. Castine Testing:
1:8 scale wave environment
Downsize turbine

Image USDA Farm Service Agency
Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO
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Google earth

44°05'45.77" N 68°25'29.24" W elev -2 ft

Eye alt 168.95 mi

Construction of VoltturnUS 1:8 at UMaine Offshore Wind Lab



2/6/2012

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Completed VoltturnUS 1:8 Hull at UMaine Offshore Wind Lab



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VOLTURNUS 1:8

THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE DeepWind

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DeepCLIDAR

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Advanced Technology Demonstration Projects

Grid Parity Goal

New England

Aqua Ventus I

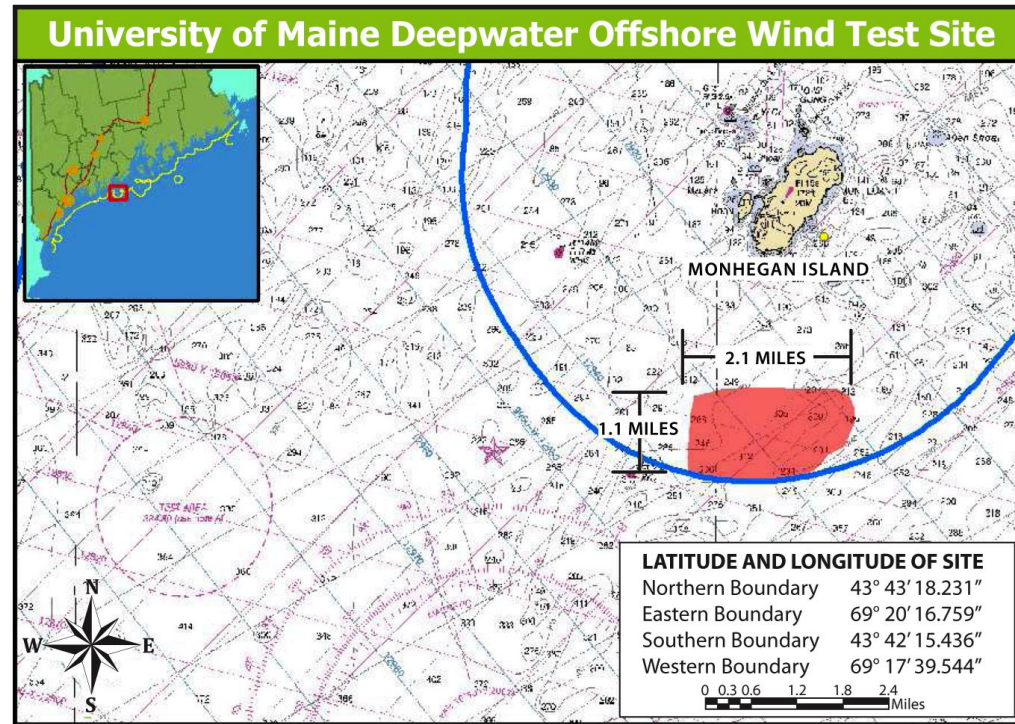
2x6MW = 12MW

- 2013 – 50% design
- 2014 – 100% design, costs
- 2015 - Start construction
- 2016 – 1st turbine connect grid
- 2017 – 2nd turbine connect grid



UMaine Monhegan Island Test Site

- Established by Maine Public Law 270
- 9.2 m/s winds at 90 meters.
- 12 years of metocean data.
- Bottom characterization/core sampling.
- Fish, bird, bat, benthic invertebrate and marine mammal pre-deployment monitoring accomplished.
- FONSI received for scale project in 2011.



UMaine Deepwater Offshore Wind Test Site at Monhegan Island in the Gulf of Maine.

Summary

- Maine 5GW by 2030 plan
- VoltturnUS:
 - Unique semisubmersible concrete & composite materials
 - Can be manufactured dock-side
 - No jack-up barges, No heavy cranes offshore
 - Reduce O&M costs, extend life beyond typical 20-25 years
- VoltturnUS development:
 - 1:50 scale tests of 3 designs (2008-2009)
 - 1:8 scale VoltturnUS (2013); *deepCLIDAR* (2013)
 - Full-scale demo 12 MW DOE FOA (2016)
 - Commercial farm 500 MW (2020's)
- Data Collection on VoltturnUS 1:8, about 1 year

Acknowledgments

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*In Castine, Maine, on June 13, 2013, at noontime,
the first offshore wind electrons started to flow into
the US electricity grid.*

