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Coastal Resources Management Council
Michael M. Tikoian, Chairman
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Dear Chairman Tikoian:

Below please find a summary of the proposed changes to Chapter 1000: Existing Statutes, Regulations and Policies of the Ocean Special Area Management Plan. These comments were submitted at the June 22, 2010 full council hearing. Proposed changes are as follows:

1. Section 1010.1 - Add "from the mean high tide line" to further clarify the jurisdiction of the submerged lands act

2. Section 1010.1 - Paragraph 3 - change UNCLOS Article 22 to Article 21, which is the correct cite

3. Section 1020.1 - Add new section Paragraph 2 relating to Article 1 Section 17 of the RI Constitution and the Public Trust Doctrine

4. Section 1020.6 - The addition of three other criteria considered by the Energy Facility Siting Board to more accurately reflect its statutory duties

5. Section 1030.14 - Change the word "practical" to "practicable"

6. Please note the other redlined changes in the document were made after initial draft of the chapter but prior to approval by the subcommittee, and as reported out by the full council. I include them so that the council and the public can tract all the changes that were made.
Thank you for consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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