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Delaware Coastal  
Management Program

**DELAWARE COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM  
FEDERAL CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION  
FOR FEDERAL PERMIT AND LICENSE APPLICANTS**

The CZMA requires that any applicant for a Federal license or permit or authorization, certification, approval, or other form of permission which any Federal agency is empowered to issue to an applicant to conduct an activity, in or outside of the coastal zone, affecting any land or water use or natural resource of the coastal zone of that state shall provide in the application to the approving Federal agency a certification that the proposed activity complies with the enforceable policies of the state's approved program and that such activity will be conducted in a manner consistent with the program. At the same time, the applicant shall furnish to the state or its designated agency a copy of the certification, with all necessary information and data. See 16 U.S.C. § 1456(c)(3)(A); 15 C.F.R. §930.51(a). At the earliest practicable time, the State agency shall notify the federal agency and the applicant whether the State agency concurs or objects to a consistency certification. See 15 C.F.R. § 930.63(a).

**CONTENTS OF A CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION:**

**Statement of Consistency:**

[Name of Applicant] has determined that the proposed [project] complies with Delaware's approved coastal management program and will be conducted in a manner consistent with such program.

**Necessary Data and Information:**

1. This section provides a detailed description of the proposed activity and its associated facilities [provide a copy of the federal application and other materials pursuant to 15 C.F.R. §930.58(a)(1) which will permit adequate assessment of probable coastal zone effects by the state]
2. This section provides a brief assessment relating the probable effects of the proposed [project] and its associated facilities on any land or water use or natural resource of the coastal zone to the relevant enforceable policies of the Delaware Coastal Management Program. [Refer to **Comprehensive Update and Routine Program Implementation** document which contains the Delaware Coastal Management policies, briefly describe the relevant policies, and provide a brief assessment on how the effects of the proposed activity relate to the relevant policies]
3. This section provides a brief set of findings, derived from the assessment, that the proposed [name of project], its associated facilities, and their effects, are all consistent with the enforceable policies of the Delaware Coastal Management Program. [provide a set of findings for each distinguishable aspect of the proposed activity – essentially a conclusion of fact based on the assessment]

**Consistency certifications should be sent to:**

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