

# Offshore Wind Power in MA Event: Moderator and Panelists

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**JEFFREY GRYBOWSKI**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, DEEPWATER WIND**

(Panelist) Mr. Grybowski is the CEO of Deepwater Wind, where he manages the company's portfolio of offshore wind and transmission projects. He has been intimately involved in the development of Deepwater Wind's path-breaking Block Island Wind Farm since its inception in 2008.

Mr. Grybowski has been at the forefront of shaping the commercial structures and government policies necessary to support offshore wind in the U.S. He plays a key role in the development of federal and state policies governing the leasing, permitting, and commercialization of offshore wind and transmission projects. Through the advancement of the Block Island Wind Farm, Mr. Grybowski has been a leader in establishing the commercial framework for standing up a new renewable energy industry in the United States.

Mr. Grybowski previously served as Chief of Staff to the Governor of the State of Rhode Island, where he was the Governor's senior advisor on all matters of state business, including fiscal policy, management of state operations, legislative strategy, and the formation and implementation of executive policies. He previously practiced corporate law at Hinckley, Allen & Snyder in Providence, RI and at Sullivan & Cromwell in New York, NY. He earned an A.B. with Honors in Public Policy from Brown University, a J.D. with High Honors from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law, and served as a Law Clerk to the Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island.



**THOMAS BROSTRØM**  
**GENERAL MANAGER NORTH AMERICA, DONG ENERGY**

(Panelist) Thomas Brostrøm is General Manager of DONG Energy's North American business. He was responsible for DONG Energy's market entry into the US and is currently responsible for the company's US activities. Thomas joined DONG Energy in 2009 as a Business Development Manager in the Wind Power business. In 2012 he became Head of UK Project Development in DONG Energy's London office. Here he led the UK pipeline development with responsibility for commercial agreements, development progress and business cases for development projects.

Since 2014, Thomas has been Director for Market development and Commercial where he has overseen the delivery of DONG Energy's European development pipeline, which has been instrumental in contributing to the Group's strategy of installing 6.5GW by 2020. Prior to joining DONG Energy, Thomas worked in venture capital and investment banking. He holds a Master of Science in Finance and International Business from Aarhus University, Denmark.



**ERICH STEPHENS**  
**VICE PRESIDENT, OFFSHORE MW**

(Panelist) Erich Stephens is Executive Vice President of OffshoreMW and Managing Director of SeaMW, both offshore wind project companies of the Blackstone Group. Erich was previously with Bluewater Wind, and he has over 15 years of experience in renewable energy, including land-based wind development, as a founding partner of a leading solar installation company, and a founder and first director of New England's leading "green" electricity program. Erich holds a degree in marine ecology from Brown University.



**MATTHEW MORRISSEY**  
**FOUNDER & MANAGING DIRECTOR, OFFSHORE WIND MASSACHUSETTS**

(Panelist) Matthew A. Morrissey is a longtime economic development leader and offshore wind advocate in Massachusetts. He specializes in the intersection of the public policy, economic development and environmental benefits that offshore wind represents.

For over 7 years, Mr. Morrissey served as the Executive Director of the New Bedford Economic Development Council. He then founded the New Bedford Wind Energy Center and as Managing Director, expanded the City's efforts to build regional capacity in support of the emerging offshore wind industry. Prior to his work in offshore wind, Mr. Morrissey worked in public higher education administration, and was the co-founder of software company Mogall, Inc., one of the early pioneers of the social networking phenomenon.

OSWMA was founded through collaboration between Morrissey and Deepwater Wind, DONG Energy and Offshore MW; the three offshore wind developers who hold leases on the Rhode Island and Massachusetts wind energy areas. OSWMA is a trade organization designed to support the development of the offshore wind market in Massachusetts. The organization is eager to build partnerships and alliances with other mission-oriented organizations, nonprofits and academic institutions.