



GE Vernova agrees compensation package for Vineyard Wind blade break

GE Vernova has agreed a multi-million dollar compensation package for the town of Nantucket after one of its blades broke off a turbine at the Vineyard Wind 1 project last summer.

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Debris washed ashore in Nantucket after the GE Vernova blade broke at the Vineyard Wind 1 project (pic credit: Town of Nantucket)

The US manufacturer will pay the Massachusetts town \$10.5 million to compensate the town and local businesses for losses.

Nantucket intends to set up a community claims fund to provide compensation for economic harm stemming from the incident. It plans to engage an independent administrator to evaluate claims from local businesses and issue payments.

A [blade broke](#) on one of GE Vernova's Haliade-X turbines installed at the Vineyard Wind project on 13 July 2024, scattering foam, fiberglass and other debris across Nantucket, necessitating an extensive clear-up effort.

The town noted that this happened "during the height of the summer tourist season".

Nantucket today (11 July 2025) said it "commends GE Vernova for its leadership in reaching this agreement".

Select board member and former chair Brooke Mohr said: "Offshore wind may bring benefits, but it also carries risks – to ocean health, to historic landscapes, and to the economies of coastal communities like Nantucket, known worldwide as an environmental and cultural treasure."

GE Vernova's investigation attributed the failure to a [manufacturing deviation](#). The company subsequently [removed other Vineyard Wind blades](#) produced in the same Quebec facility and

[fired workers](#) from the factory.

The incident gained significant media coverage – especially in the US, where the country’s move into utility-scale offshore wind has faced vocal opposition from local communities and seemingly insurmountable [legislative hurdles](#) imposed by President Donald Trump.

A GE Vernova spokesperson said: “We are pleased to have reached a final settlement agreement with the Town of Nantucket to provide compensation for any impacted local businesses.”

A spokesperson for Vineyard Wind added: “The settlement agreement for the GE Vernova blade event, announced today, is the product of diligent, thorough, and cooperative negotiations between the parties over the past year. Vineyard Wind appreciates the good faith, respectful, and productive approach demonstrated by GE Vernova and the Town of Nantucket, which was critical toward reaching this fair and conclusive settlement.”

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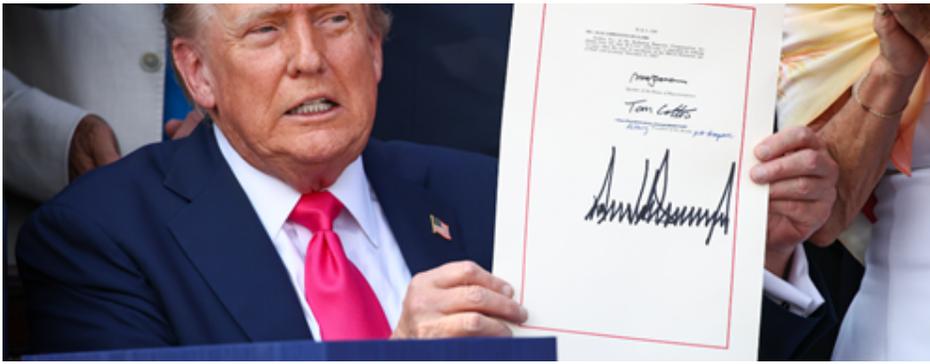


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