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Benefit Concert for *Clean Power Now* on May 21 in Orleans

The internationally acclaimed **DUO LIVEOAK** will perform a musical tribute to our planet entitled “¡Out of this World!” as a benefit for Clean Power Now on **Saturday, May 21, 2005**, at 4 pm at the **Academy of Performing Arts Playhouse, 120 Main Street, Orleans**.

“¡Out of this World!” will feature three contrasting song cycles, all telling the story of lives lived close to nature, drawn from four poetic perspectives, three centuries, and three distinct regions of America, and will include the **WORLD PREMIERE** of a new set of ten songs, composed on an alternat-

ing set of poems by Nancy Knowles and Frank Wallace, entitled “**How Fragile She Is**”.



This husband-and-wife duo, Nancy Knowles (soprano, poet) and Frank Wallace (baritone, guitarist, lutenist, composer), has toured widely throughout the U.S. and Europe. They have 8 recordings to their credit, on Titanic, Centaur, Musical Heritage Society, and Gyre.

As Duo LiveOak, Knowles and Wallace are time travelers, mining our rich cultural heritage

from medieval to romantic to the blues to create “...a brilliant collection of new repertoire performed with equal amounts of grace, sensitivity, and virtuosity” Guitar Review.

Hailed for many years on both sides of the Atlantic for their innovative concerts and recordings of medieval and renaissance music, echoes of the past

reverberate through DuoLiveOak’s new works.

Tickets are \$25 per person in advance or \$30 (cash or check only) at the door. (Anyone 18 years and under will be admitted free). *Please mail your ticket request with a self-addressed stamped envelope and a check payable to: Clean Power Now to 297 North Street, Suite 322A, Hyannis, MA 02601, OR—call the CPN office at 508-775-7796 to charge your ticket order with a MC, Visa or Discover card.*

For sound clips and more information about Duo LiveOak, please visit their website at: www.duoliveoak.com.

From the Desk of the Executive Director, Matt Palmer

The opponents of the Cape Wind project have been proclaiming that the wind farm should not be permitted until there is a national energy policy addressing off-shore wind development. State Senator Rob O’Leary of the Cape and Islands district says we must have “policy before permitting.” The Cape Cod Times, in a recent editorial, urged development of renewable

energy “within the context of a comprehensive national plan.”

Great Britain has a detailed national plan identifying two phases of off-shore wind development: Round One calls for 18 projects totaling 1,163 MW and Round Two is 15 projects estimated at 7,200 MW. This is an example of significant government regulation of

industrial growth.

The trend in the US for some time has been toward allowing the private sector to control growth through de-regulation, especially in the energy sector. We have de-regulated our natural gas transportation system and, in many places, our electric generation system. At the same time, incentives have been put

in place at both the state and federal level to encourage development of renewable energy. This is the current form of our government policy. It is up to the free market to respond.

Cape Wind has done exactly that, by proposing the nation’s first off-shore wind farm.

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Our Members in the Press: Richard Bartlett / Randall Moore

Appeared in the Yarmouthport Register, March 31, 2005:

Horses in the Space Age?

Back at the dawning of the automotive age there were many skeptics who doubted that the horseless carriage would ever take over the roads. Forget about all the manure pollution, the old ways were the known ways. Today, as we are entering the age of renewable energy, we find ourselves with politicians trying to prevent the future from happening. From Senator Kennedy all the way down the ladder to State Representative Atsalis, we see the old blacksmith mentality. Only Rep. Matt Patrick is smart enough to metaphorically open a gas station. The others are behind the curve. Just look at the way the public's view is so much more advanced:

- In a recent survey, 3 times as many were strongly in favor of the wind farm as were strongly opposed.
- The League of women Voters (130,000 U.S.; 8,000 MA members) are strong advocates of renewable energy, and their 206 Cape Cod members have specifically endorsed Cape wind.
- The union of Concerned Scientists (100,000 worldwide; 7,572 MA) emphatically supports wind-generated electricity.
- The Buzzards Bay Coalition (3,500 members) is on board for the wind farm.
- The Nature conservancy (1,000,000 U.S.) is decidedly pro-wind power.
- Possibly the most pro-active group is Clean Power Now (over 4,500 members), sponsoring

seminars and trips to Danish wind power sites.

- The Maritime Trades Council (50,000 union members) sees the breadth of job opportunities and are working to make the Cape wind project become a reality.
- Greenpeace's 250,000 and Mass-PIRG's 50,000 members are for the windfarm.
- Three other important backers of the wind alternative are the Natural Resources Defense Council, the conservation Law Foundation and Cape Clean Air.

That's a lot of backing, and there are untold numbers of unaffiliated individuals as well.

Perhaps the time for political timidity is past. A Woods Hole scientist with a global reputation, George Woodwell, has warned politicians opposing the windfarm that they will, in time, come to be seen as foolish.

What we need most now is renewable politicians. Ones courageous enough to retract their earlier, indefensible obstructionism and become the leaders we voters always wished them to be.

Richard C. Bartlett,
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Appeared in the Cape Cod Times, April 18, 2005:

Consider funding of wind farm factions

I attended the April 6 Barnstable county Assembly of delegates meeting in Barnstable and listened intently to presentations by Charles Kleekamp of Clean Power Now and Susan Nickerson of the Alliance to Protect Nantucket Sound.

As a practicing engineer, I've done considerable homework to substantiate claims and facts presented by both sides and, like most engineers, come away with the old "it should be intuitively obvious to the most casual observer upon examination of the facts that this works."

Unfortunately, I find a large segment of the public will believe "stories" told often enough and loud enough.

I'd encourage anyone concerned about this project to do a little homework. Look at the memberships of the proponent and opponent organizations and where their funding comes from. Then decide how you'd like your power generated over the next 25 years.

During my career, I've been part of global warming studies and have seen firsthand the high mercury levels in some people from eating fish caught in Massachusetts. Global warming and pollution caused by power generation are realities.

I also performed my military service in the Corps of engineers and have some familiarity with the rules they must follow in generating the draft environmental impact statement. They are *not* "agents of the applicant."

Randall Moore, *Mashpee*

Introducing Mark Howland, Clean PowerNow's New South Coast Chapter Director



Mark Howland said, "We have a tremendous opportunity to reach out further and engage more people, particularly university students. I'm delighted to be part of this effort."

Cape Wind project.

The South Coast chapter was formed by Inge Perreault of Fairhaven after the disastrous Buzzards Bay oil spill on April 28, 2003. Ms Perreault has chosen to step down and pursue her environmental activism in other directions. She was honored as Earth Mother in ceremony at the New Bedford YMCA on April 14th. "Inge made the South Coast Chapter vibrant and dynamic," said Executive Director Palmer. "We owe her a tremendous debt of gratitude and wish her well in her future endeavors."

Renewable energy future

"One of the key objectives of Clean Power Now is to inform the public about the possibilities of a renewable energy future, and empower them to make that a reality," said Mark Howland. "I look forward to spreading that message to a wider audience."

Matt Palmer, Executive Director of Clean Power Now, has announced that Mark Howland will succeed Inge Perreault as Clean Power Now's South Coast Chapter Director, saying " We are delighted to have Mark on board with us in this capacity. With his expertise and energy at the helm, the South Coast chapter will continue to be exciting and active."

Reaching out further

Howland is a professional in the environmental and renewable energy

fields, and has served as a Selectman in Freetown and as State Representative. "We have a tremendous opportunity to reach out further and engage more people, particularly university students," he said. "I'm delighted to be part of this effort."

In the two years since its inception, Clean Power Now has grown to over 4,500 members. The organization informs and empowers citizens to support viable renewable energy projects and policies. They are the voice of the local support for the

We Need Your Support!

Membership in Clean Power Now is free, but your contribution will help us spread the word about renewable energy.

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To do so, please visit us at www.cleanpowernow.org Or, complete the form below and return with a check as indicated below.

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***Launching America's
Renewable Energy
Revolution!***

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There is significant debate in our country right now about whether government policy through privatization and de-regulation is in the public's best interest. Some would argue that we need more direct government control of our energy supplies and natural resources. Our central mission at Clean Power Now is to promote the development of renewable energy. Any change to our energy policies, or tightening of government regulation and oversight, must have expediting development of renewable energy as a primary objective.

Regardless of what form our government policies take, our need for developing renewable sources of energy is urgent. In the words of Ross Gelbspan, "mother nature's clock is ticking."

New CPN/Liz Argo Video: "Change of Course"



Liz Argo has produced another video, "CHANGE OF COURSE", which includes citizens' reactions at the Army Corps of Engineers' DEIS hearing in Cambridge regarding the proposed Nantucket Sound wind farm, and interviews with environmentalists in the field weighing in with their perspectives with regard to same. There is even a chance to hear the underground HIT "Blowin' in the Wind" as performed by Carl Freeman at the Cambridge hearing!

Copies of the "CHANGE of COURSE" DVD are available - either for a free screening and/or as a thank-you premium for a donation of \$20 or more.

To request a copy, please call the Clean Power Now office (508-775-7796) or send an e-mail to: windfarm@cleanpowernow.org.