

(From The Beach Haven Taxpayers Association: Unfortunately, the beginning of the video was lost. However, the remainder is substantive and informative. It is important to note that Karen provides her personal opinions from the perspective of a Beach Haven taxpayer and 35 years of experience in the industry. The video is not the representation of an employee of her company or any other commercial enterprise.)

Karen Conover, Vice President, Renewables, DNV

Karen Conover has more than 35 years of international experience with renewable energy technologies, helping clients with development, technology, and operational challenges in Europe, Asia, and the Americas. She currently serves as a Vice President at DNV, an independent risk management company that provides certification, testing, advisory, and digital solutions to clients in the maritime and energy industries. She previously held positions as Global Segment Director for Wind and Renewables and Senior Strategic Advisor for Renewables and Energy Storage. With offices in over 100 countries, DNV is one of the world's largest renewable energy advisory and certification firms.

Karen served on the board of the American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) for 20+ years. She is a Past President of the board and served on numerous industry committees. She is a founding board member of Women in Renewable Industries and Sustainable Energy (WRISE) and was chosen as one of the inaugural ambassadors for the US DOE Clean Energy, Education and Empowerment (C3E) program, a part of the global Clean Energy Ministerial. Karen has been recognized as Industry Woman of the Year (WRISE, 2010), Outstanding Contributor to the Wind Industry (AWEA, 2012), and a Wind Energy Influencers and Innovator (Windpower Engineering, 2011 and 2016). She was ranked in the top 20 of the global Women in Power list (2017) and in the top 100 of the North American Power list (2018). During 2020/2021, Karen served as a mentor in the Women in Wind Global Leadership Program and as a Public Voices Fellow of the OpEd Project and the Yale Program on Climate Change Communication. She holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Duke University and was recognized with a Distinguished Alumni Award from Duke's School of Engineering. She also holds an M.S.E. from the University of Arizona. She lives in Seattle, Washington with her husband and two daughters.

Karen grew up on 11th Street in Beach Haven where her parents still live. In 2010, she purchased a home on Belvoir Avenue so she could still spend summers down the shore.