Dear sir/madam

I wish to record my objection to the proposals in the EDF planning application concerning the change of size in the storage facility.

I attended a public meeting in Stogursey Village Hall on 14 November at which EDF personnel made a brief presentation about their planning application. I and several other members of the audience asked several questions that were not answered satisfactorily; these mostly concerned the proposed changes to the method of storing the nuclear waste and the consequential re-sizing of the storage building. The reasons for the changes were vague.

The proposal increases the height of the nuclear waste storage facility by 5 metres. This is a significant and material change to the visual impact of the whole site viewed from the Quantock Hills AONB and my local community area. It is very close to the South West Coast Path. The other external dimensions of the storage facility are also significantly increased. The dry storage solution therefore will have an even greater visual impact on the immediate locality.

This facility will still be there long after the site is decommissioned, at least well into the next century, impacting significantly on a large area of Somerset countryside, and I believe it will be considered by future generations as a mistake.

I urge that you reject the change proposed concerning the storage method.

Yours sincerely

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