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Dear Planning Inspectorate

Thank you for taking the time to read all of my email.

Please don't let Sizewell C planning permission slip through under the misinformation that's suggesting it's Green Energy, or that "we have no choice" in light of the present gas prices panic.

Where does Nuclear belong?

Answer, in the 20th century. If governments present and past had heeded 50-year long warnings about the need to switch to sustainable energy, there would be no question of a political rush for more unsafe, untried, fantastically expensive nuclear generation. The "rush" would in any case take 10-20 years to get a Sizewell C operational. In which time-span the already fantastically speedy development of renewables and battery storage capabilities, at its current progress rate, could easily overtake the performance of the old technology of nuclear power stations, whose spent products still have no safe disposal solution.

Jobs or Planet?

Considering EDF's job creation argument (their figures are not reliable being for short-term jobs and in the majority just shifted over from Hinckley), doesn't "doing different" to save the planet and its dwindling species HAVE TO trump any political argument about jobs.

Frightening mis-management

EDF has a large budget, quite a lot of which has already been spent in lavish mail shots painting a biased picture of why Sizewell C should go ahead. Opinion management is one thing, but an organisation that only at the last moment considers (and previously not bothered to consider?) the HUGE need for currently unavailable water, and that just for the initial platform build: doesn't this suggest their commercial ambitions are greater than their planning and technical skills. Why would we trust what they say?

What's in EDF's budget for the bit of the planet needed for Sizewell C?

How much in their budget is there to pay for the real value of the planet's resources that they would be using - that is, using up, exhausting? A ravaged planet cannot sustain life. I thought after fifty years this "hippie" sentiment had finally been recognised as an unassailable truth.

Give our money to the right people

Let us rather give the extra billions that EDF now say they need from the government, viz us, for a Sizewell C, let us give it to researchers and scientists making fantastic renewables breakthroughs and improvements, men and women scientists who, like those at Oxford who worked a miracle, a miracle for the world developing a Covid vaccine because they saw that the world needed one, and *that* in a super-quick timescale. Profits, shareholder interests, politics, didn't muddy their decisions, their ethics, their hard work, their success.

This is a plea for you not to allow another mistake.

Yours very Sincerely

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