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East Anglia Two
Submission for Deadline 2

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I would like, please, to make the submission below for Deadline 2. This letter is also sent to EA1N.

I would also like to ask if it I may make a spoken contribution to a future Open Floor Hearing, focussing on creative aspects of the region and the effect of these proposals on it. (This was previously requested in my Deadline 1 submission).

Deadline 2 submission:

This is a short follow-up, with some additional thoughts, to the previous representations I have made.

Some time ago now I attended the Scottish Power presentations in Friston Village Hall, and what is now proposed seems to be a much bigger project than was then presented, and the role of National Grid, which was hardly mentioned then, appears to be much more important. It has become clear that National Grid is driving a number of projects which will be more than that of Scottish Power, and which could completely surround the village of Friston.

It just seems incomprehensible that green power, allied as it is with concept of nature conservation, should need to ride roughshod over 6 miles of AONB land with trenches the width of two motorways with an estimated construction time of twelve years. I cannot believe that this is a sensible way to go forward when it has been shown that there are other far more efficient ways of distributing the energy from the windfarms.

In a previous submission, I described the walk along field paths from Friston to Thorpeness, and how most of this walk would be wiped out by

trenches and haul roads which would certainly be in place for the rest of my life. I also described how the village of Friston would be completely wrecked by the sub-station proposals, as has been stated by many.

I would like to add that the whole Sandlings area is celebrated for its quiet and peacefulness, its dark skies, and its unpolluted atmosphere. All of this is seriously at risk: the substation will be lit at night and will be visible for miles by day: the equipment in the substations will make a persistent noise, and the diesel engines of the construction traffic and the disturbance to the very light sandy soil will continuously pollute the atmosphere. As for the crumbling cliffs between Thorpeness and Sizewell – it just doesn't make sense to construct a landfall here. How can any of these proposals be 'green'?

I would also question how it is that National Grid should be allowed to make these wide ranging proposals without, apparently, being subject to the rigours of the current enquiry. Again, it just doesn't make sense.

What does make sense, though, is the government's commitment to green energy – but surely a co-ordinated approach to transmission and delivery will enable the ambitious target to be met far more efficiently, and with far less damage to the countryside and community, than this piecemeal and uncoordinated approach?

Please can you use your powers to enable a <u>really</u> green world, with a joined-up approach to energy distribution, using existing sites or undersea cables, rather than wrecking the countryside that we love, which brings pleasure to millions of holiday-makers and is a legacy for our descendants. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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