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Dear Rynd Smith and Colleagues

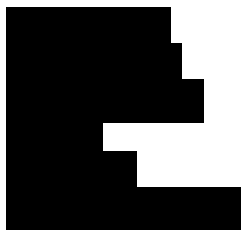
We attach a statement setting out our Society's concerns over the planning of SPR's proposed onshore installations.

With our best wishes for 2021 and a successful conclusion of the Examination.

[REDACTED], Chair

Paul Bongers de Rath, Secretary

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OFFSHORE WINDFARMS EAST ANGLIA ONE NORTH AND EAST ANGLIA TWO

DEADLINE 4 LETTER CONCERNING SPR's PROPOSED ONSHORE INSTALLATIONS

The Aldeburgh Society wishes to express grave concern over the absence of a comprehensive Cumulative Impact Assessment relating to the East Anglia One North and East Anglia Two offshore windfarm projects. We understand from SEAS that up to eight additional energy projects are considering making connections to the National Grid through the substation which SPR propose to locate in Friston. It is unacceptable for SPR to refuse to include reference to these projects on the grounds that they are not at a sufficiently advanced stage of development. National Grid is relying upon the current DCO application to secure approval for its facilities at Friston, and it is therefore incumbent upon them and the applicant to provide a full account of the projected future use of these facilities.

The Examining Authority has on several occasions underlined its wish to receive evidence of all relevant development proposals which may impact upon the DCO application, and has pledged to take these fully into account. These should be rigorously examined in relation to the proposed Friston substation site and also, equally importantly, the proposed landfall site and cable corridor.

The Aldeburgh Society, while in favour in principle of renewable energy generation including offshore wind, remains firmly opposed to the proposed onshore installations in the Thorpeness/Friston area. The damage to the AONB, to the fragile cliffs area, to wildlife, and to small historic settlements resulting from this process of industrialisation would be too great to bear, especially when seen in the context of the proposed Sizewell C nuclear power station development in the same fragile coastal environment. We have already warned of the economic and social damage to Aldeburgh that would flow from these projected construction projects. The installation of any additional grid connections would only exacerbate this damage and irremediable destruction.

We therefore urge the Examining Authority to take the widest possible view of the proposals contained in the DCO application and all projects that may be associated with it. Without such action, it would not be possible for a fully reasoned, future-proof report to be made to the Secretary of State.

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