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Subject: SPR & National Grid impact to Aldeburgh
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Dear Sirs

My name is Michael Turner and I have lived in Aldeburgh for over 30 years.

I understand that the SPR is planning to send it's trucks down the Saxmundham Road (A 1094) into Aldeburgh, and then to turn left onto the Leiston Road. I understand there will be 300 large trucks per day.

The A 1094 is a comparatively narrow road that will scarcely take a truck passing in opposite directions, and it has high banks, and no pavements. It is also used by cyclists who will be at great danger from these lorries, and they will have nowhere to bail out to if they meet two lorries passing at the same time. The result does not take a great deal of imagination to work out, and if this plan is allowed to go ahead it would be interesting to know who will take the blame for the deaths that will surely follow. In an age where Health and Safety is rightly taking a higher profile, I can't imagine how Scottish Power could even suggest this plan, let alone be allowed to do so by the planners.

I am sure SPR will make a case for the cost being important to them, but the safety of the local inhabitants must come first.

I would also like to point out that if this route is being suggested because it will save money to SPR, it needs to be pointed out that it will be at the expense of the local economy that thrives on it's excellent reputation for tourism, being an area of outstanding beauty, and an absolutely wonderful place to visit. All this, and the attendant money that tourism brings to Aldeburgh, Snape, Orford, Thorpeness and surrounding areas will be threatened, and be reduced substantially if the Lorries are allowed to use the road frightening drivers and cyclists alike. It may well save SPR money to use this route, but it should not be at the expense of the local economies.

People come to this area precisely because it is so peaceful, and this will all be threatened unnecessarily if this plan is allowed to go ahead.

I understand that one of the options is for SPR to build a road alongside the trench they will build to bury the cables, and this should surely happen for the safety of all, and for the continued prosperity of the area. There is obviously a massive investment being made by SPR even if it is not welcomed by the local area, and if it is worth that investment then they must surely be made to do so at the least inconvenience, and least financial cost to the residents and businesses of the area.

A different point should be made that there are a number of individual energy businesses all making their own separate plans. Surely the planning authorities should insist that these are all part of a consolidated and coordinated master plan that minimises the disruption to the local area, and limits the vast area taken up by these developments at Friston and Sizewell. The Companies may not want to cooperate with each other, but it would save money, save resources, and minimise the damage to the local area. It would also cut the damage to the environment that we are all so focused on these days.

I would urge you to look after our safety and our future when making your decisions.

Kind regards

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