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My Ref No: 20023133 and 20023080

Dear Mr Rynd Smith

Whilst reading the SEAS website we see that you will have received a formal Letter of Complaint regarding SPR's Option Agreement engaging with certain landowners and others and the consequences for those signing it.

We are both shocked and disturbed by these NDAs as they will undermine the integrity of the statutory application procedure. We strongly support SEAS for drawing this matter to your attention

The examiners will not now hear the voices of those affected as these parties have been encouraged to sign NDAs believing the outcome is a forgone conclusion.

The most damaging consequence of this Option Agreement is that it requires withdrawal of any previous opposition in whatever form.

In a just and democratic country like ours it is vital that everyone can speak freely. SPR's use of NDAs are unjustly shifting the balance of the debate in favour of the developers with all their huge resources.

We are also well aware that EDF has not resorted to using NDAs in their Option Agreement relating to Sizewell C and compulsory acquisition of affected land. We urge you, the Examining Authority to take steps to remove all NDA's from all documentation as they seriously impede the planning process

Yours sincerely



