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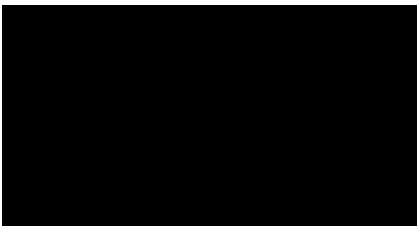
Dear Sir/Madam,

### **East Anglia Offshore Windfarm**

Recognising that this project will have long term implications for the local communities and environment and wanting to be sure that all options have been fully considered but without wanting to argue for or against the project at Friston, we ask that the following questions are considered as part of the planning and decision-making process:

- What plans are currently in place for a review into minimising the scale of on-shore substation facilities needed to enable off-shore wind electricity generation to enter the National Grid in order to minimise their impact on the natural environment and community wellbeing?
- What assessment has been given to the calls for a review into the building of an onshore substation in Friston, Suffolk, amid concerns from the local community that an onshore facility would cause both environmental degradation and local disruption, and an off-shore facility would be much better suited to this specific locality?

Yours faithfully,



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