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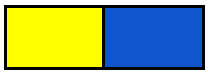

EA1N & EA2 DCO Examination Extension Objection

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Dear Examination Panel,

We are objecting to the extension to EA1N & EA2 DCO Examinations. Having imparted a huge amount of time and resources to participate and follow these DCOs, it comes as a complete shock that a statutory process that is supposed to have a defined time frame is to be extended for a further three months into the spring/summer.

We are concerned this extension is unjustified when SPRS DCO proposals have been shown to be completely unprepared and missing swathes of key information.

In our opinion SPR have failed to explain or justify EA1N & EA2s need to land cables along a fragile coast within the Suffok Coast & Heaths AONB. SPR have failed to justify the need for many miles of trenching across the protected AONB landscape and failed to justify or explain the need for many acres of industrial development at a green field site (Grove Wood in Friston). EA1N & EA2 onshore connections should have been at Bramford at an existing grid connection facility, or at suitable alternative brownfield, pre-industrialised sites.

SPR followed poor conceptual planning with a contentious site selection processes, abysmal statutory consultation (of box ticking) and months of DCO Examination failure by not providing essential details in key areas including: cable landing, cable route, substation design, substation noise, potential for substation development to massively increase pluvial flooding risk in Friston village.

SASES & SEAS campaigns have reasonably questioned why "Scottish Power Renewables are getting more time to waste". SPR were aware of the timeline but were unprepared, SPRs DCOs preparation appears to have assumed renewable energy projects were mere formality that EA1N & EA2 would breeze through examination. SPRs approach actually highlights how unsuitable their proposals are, as they can't commit to scrutinize their own proposals. Given that much of the onshore development is in protected locations it is hard to understand how SPR thought it acceptable to argue against providing key assessments including a thorough Cumulative Impact

Assessment. What was submitted towards the end of the allotted examination to address missing detail was unacceptable and surely must be seen as a clear sign that even Scottish Power Renewables realise their own proposals cannot stand up to a rigorous Cumulative Impact Assessment. How can an extra three months change all this?

It is exactly as has been said, an extension rewards SPRs failure with more time, time mere individuals like us simply don't have, given we are trying to run businesses or provide services like teaching, all during the most trying period in modern history.

Not only this, but also considering the Sizewell C DCO Examination is now underway, it's fair to say most people are simply overwhelmed.

Yours Sincerely,

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A copy of this objection has been sent to:

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