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Dear Sirs

Re: EA1N and EA2 Examination

Written Representation Deadline 13

Further to my earlier representations, I am writing to endorse the arguments presented by Rt Hon Dr Therese Coffey and SEAS calling for a **'split-decision'** on the above DCO applications:

- I fully support the construction of the Offshore Turbines and hope these will be recommended for consent.
- I ask that the application for the onshore infrastructure be rejected in favour of full consideration of more suitable locations with the capacity to integrate multiple projects without having a devastating impact on the local economy and our heritage coast.

The Prime Minister has called for greater offshore coordination to protect our environment (PMQs 19 May 2021) and as we prepare to host the 26th UN Climate Change Conference later this year the Applicant should be required to more fully engage with the Government's Energy White Paper and the BEIS Review's "Pathfinder" solutions and look for an alternative brownfield site for the onshore connections.

The Suffolk Coast DMO (2019) has shown that even at a micro level the negative impact of the energy projects on the Suffolk coastline could damage the local tourist economy by up to £40 million a year. It is estimated that the onshore SPR projects alone could result in a 15% downturn in visitor numbers which would pose a significant threat to local businesses and jobs. SPR's proposed onshore infrastructure project offers no economic benefit to the area and no new jobs whilst threatening the livelihoods of many. Anxiety around this issue was evident at the online Hustings last week ahead of the By-Election (Aldeburgh & Leiston) on 8th July. All candidates from all parties voiced strong opposition to the proposed onshore infrastructure at Friston fearing significant job losses due to a downturn in tourism, and all candidates expressed support of the 'split-decision' proposal.

Accordingly, I am writing to request that the Examining Authorities recommend to the Secretary of State a **'split decision'** on the above DCO applications for EA1N and EA2.

Yours faithfully
Angela Mallinson