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Dear Secretary of State

We write as East Suffolk residents to express our concerns relating to the two DCO applications made by Scottish Power for the two windfarms East Anglia 1 North and East Anglia 2.

Our objections relate specifically to the landside infrastructure proposed with the final connection to the grid at Friston for two substations for the two windfarms and a further substation for connection to the grid by National Grid.

The applications have for the landside infrastructure been made without giving any consideration to future development which were in the pipeline and in the public domain at the time of the submission. There are now at least 7 independent energy projects proposed do be delivered roughly within a whisker or concurrently to the proposals currently before you by Scottish Power and National Grid.

- EA1N and EA2 Windfarms by Scottish Power Proposals
- The DCO application for the new Sizewell C currently being considered by the inspectorate.
- The Nautilus Interconnector a planned DCO application by National Grid Ventures
- The Euro link interconnector currently being planned
- RWE Five Estuary offshore windfarm planned
- RWE North Falls offshore windfarm planned

The residents of East Suffolk are faced with unprecedented level of unplanned uncoordinated largescale industrial development within or bordering to a fragile area of Outstanding National Beauty. Furthermore, the timescale for the construction of these developments is undefined and could extend for over ¼ of a century.

Each project is enormous in its own right, their cumulative impact will be unsustainable in this relatively small area of the nation.

The government has recognized the need to group these projects for renewable into energy hubs. However, this is reliant on finding suitable sites for this to happen. What is proposed in the applications before you is a development already on an inappropriate site and context for two windfarm developments which will expand into a major energy hub without the benefit of its full cumulative impact having been given due scrutiny.

Is this a sustainable method to procure renewable energy for the nation? Energy produced from renewable sources to be truly sustainable must and should be a delivered in a manner that the minimizes its impact on the territory.

There are alternatives, a split decision for the DCO applications by Scottish Power before you, granting consent for only the offshore infrastructure but not for the landside infrastructure will allow time to reconsider, coordinate and integrate the connections to the national grid of the majority of these planned projects minimising their impact and potentially allowing for land fall on a brown fill site.

For the two DCO applications for EA1N and EA2 before you we urge you to grant consent only to the offshore infrastructure.

Yours sincerely

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