

FW: Scottish Power Sub-station Friston and Offshore Wind EA One North EA Two

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Subject: Re: Scottish Power Sub-station Friston and Offshore Wind EA One North EA Two

Dear All.

Things have got much worse since the two emails below. Scottish Power/Iberdola have not given satisfactory answers to any of the questions I raised - or indeed any answer at all. The late introduction of the Nautilus Interconnector proposal means that the process should start again.

The general points remain unanswered. But let's look at some specific examples of Scottish Power/Iberdola's bad faith. When I refer to SP I include any person or body or group connected in any way to SP/Iberdola:

- 1 Why has SP not worked with EdF? Or has it and not told anybody?
- 2 Why has SP introduced non-disclosure clauses?
- 3 Why has SP not waived them now? It is important that all relevant facts are revealed as part of the process.
- 4 Why did SP put up a misleading strawman proposal near Sizewell?
- 5 What inducements or proposals have SP made to local authorities?
- 6 The traffic proposals (indeed the scheme generally) are so extraordinary as to sniff of corruption.
- 7 As a specific point, has SP bought or got any option or right in connection with the Railway Inn on the roundabout in Aldeburgh.
- 8 How far has SP got in analysing brownfield sites rather than AONBs?
- 9 What discussions took place or agreements or arrangements made between SP and National Grid/National Grid Ventures before the announcement of the Nautilus proposal? Or thereafter?
- 10 Generally, the Proposal, including Nautilus, is so different now that the proposal and planning review should start again. No planning inspector could reasonably consider that a sensible decision could be made on the bais

of the process to date - particularly bearing in mind SP's part in the process.

Regards,

Stephen Barnard

PS If any of the recipients are no longer involved please forward to the relevant person.

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On 22/02/2021 17:59, Stephen Barnard wrote:
> Dear Mr Smith,
> I have been following the inquiry but have not commented until now.
> Things are going badly wrong and Scottish Power has been behaving
> increasingly badly and deceitfully (possibly out of desparation?):
> 1 So much has happened since this process started that there needs to
> be a rethink.
> 2 The process for approving the development of the offshore windfarms
> themselves could proceed.
> 3 But the process for bringing the power onshore needs further thought
> - by Government, National Grid and local authorities.
> 4 An offshore ring main makes sense but how it is brought onshore
> needs equal care and not just on the basis of piggybacking existing ad
> hoc proposals by individual developers.
> 5 The Friston proposal is not sensible in any event but should not be
> allowed to proceed simply because it is more advanced in terms of
> process than more suitable (perhaps brownfield) sites.
> 5 Scottish Power needs to be fully transparent or have its proposals
> rejected.
> 6 SP should disclose and waive all the non-disclosure clauses it has
> included in any relevant agreement.
> 7 SP should say whether or not it has bought or has an option to buy
> the Railway Inn in Aldeburgh.
> 8 SP should disclose what inducements (financial or otherwise) have
> been made by it to the relevant local authorities.
> 9 After all, the traffic proposals are so counter-intuitive that no
> local authority could possibly approve them.
> Regards,
> Stephen Barnard
> On 25/03/2019 10:36, Stephen Barnard wrote:
>> Dear All,
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>> Scottish Power is being devious. It put up a straw man proposal in
>> the wrong place between Leiston and Sizewell on yet another
>> sensitive greenfield site. The sensible site remains as close as
>> possible to the Sizewell A which will be sitting in its concrete
>> massiveness for another century as it is decommissioned.
>> I am horrified to hear that this and other potential landfalls could
>> have been avoided if there had been proper planning for offshore
>> windfarms, including increased capacity at the Bawdsey-Bramford cable
>> route. Is it too late to look again at Bawdsey-Bramford for this
>> capacity?
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>> Regards,
>> Stephen Barnard
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>> On 28/08/2018 19:21, Stephen Barnard wrote:
>>> Dear All,
>>> This seems straightforward. Scottish Power wants to connect
>>> electricity to the Grid from an offshore windfarm.
>>> The easiest connection is via the existing powerlines from Sizewell
>>> where Sizewell A is in run-off. The connection should be made at
>>> Sizewell itself where the infrastucture is already largely in place.
>>> I can see no reason at all why a fresh site is needed for an
>>> intrusive set of buildings and wires.
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>>> EdF and Scottish Power should sort things out between themselves.
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>>> Regards,
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>>> Stephen Barnard
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