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**To:** Secretary Of State (Kwasi Kwarteng) [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Suffolk coast Offshore/Onshore proposals

Rt Hon Kwasi Kwarteng,

Dear Secretary of State, I fully support the offshore windfarms, however, I do NOT support the current proposals to bring the power onshore by Scottish Power in conjunction with National Grid as it will desecrate this part of East Suffolk which is a popular area for retirement & tourism.

I urge you to recommend a SPLIT DECISION when making your decision on Scottish Power's EA1N & EA2 projects and the National Grid connection hub. This would mean that the offshore turbine installation could commence without delay while providing the necessary time to:

- a) fully evaluate the cumulative impact of all the energy projects proposed for this area, including the Sizewell C project
- b) develop a plan to maximise connection infrastructure out to sea, or under the sea, in order to minimise the amount of onshore construction  
choose a grid connection on a brownfield or pre-industrialised site
- c) ensure that the grid connection is chosen in line with the government's own commitment to protect AONBs and provide more protection for the environment
- d) ensure that the opportunity is taken now to get this right in the interest of all concerned

National Grid Ventures have already begun their non-statutory public consultation for their Nautilus Interconnector project with a connection at Friston that hasn't yet been consented. It is clear that consent for SPR's EA1N & EA2 onshore proposals would start a domino effect that would have dire consequences for the protected landscapes of the Suffolk Coast and Heaths area and the lives of everyone that live here. We therefore urge you, please, to take this opportunity to pause before it too late so that onshore solutions can be found that minimise the destruction of the environment and our communities.

Sincerely

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resident of Snape

