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## **Dear Planning Inspectors**

If you will allow it, we wish to comment on 4 matters.

- 1. SITE VISITS Vattenfall have made requests for a lot of site visits. However, they have neglected to include the 4 closest receptors, which are surely the most important places. They have missed out Ivy Todd Farm and Wood Farm, which are closest to Vanguard and Boreas, and they have missed out Redgates Farm, which is closest to the National Grid extensions. They have also missed out Top Farm, which is not only a closest receptor to NG but is also the site of the alternative site that was offered. We have attached a map showing these properties for your convenience.
- 2. ST ANDREWS LANE We also have marked Viewpoint 7, which Vattenfall have included. This is in a field entrance, which is heavily screened from Boreas and Vanguard sites by a 15' high hedge and an entire, triangular 1 acre garden. It is also before the banking starts on St Andrews which raises the actual residences much higher. So the only way the Planning Inspectors will understand the actual view from St Andrews Lane residents, is to visit one of the properties from 1 through to 29, and look from the back of them, as they all stand on a bank, and the view from their gardens and their upstairs rooms is very different to that from viewpoint 7. From the viewpoint of the backs of the houses you will also see Dudgeon as they see it every day (especially when the sun is shining). From viewpoint 7 you will only see a view chosen by Vattenfall to be heavily screened, low, and therefore misleading.
- 3. NATIONAL GRID EXTENSIONS. There was no consultation done on Vanguard's or Boreas' National Grid extensions whatsoever. They were merely presented as a fait accompli. As together they will create 18 acres of extra infrastructures, and as the National Grid has assured us it was Vattenfall's job to carry out consultations on these, this project should surely be put on hold until such consultation can be carried out. The developer we feel, should have sought and taken notice of the residents and stakeholders opinions on the siting of these, especially as with the existing NG infrastructure, they will create a vista, clearly visible from the A47 of almost one third of a mile in length.
- 4. TOP FARM Vattenfall claim to have answered all issues, but they have still not explained why they did not accept the offer to buy and use Top Farm for the whole of the development. All they have said (orally) is that Top Farm is as high as the current site, and that it is a lot further from the NG substations than the chosen site (in fact they questioned if it was even in the original 3km circle). All statements are incorrect. The A47 end of Top Farm is as high as the chosen site, but this is a very long, thin farm, and is over 180 acres in total. The further one gets from the A47, the lower the ground becomes. It is also about the same distance from the NG as the chosen site. We hope that you will visit Top Farm to see for yourselves.

Thank you. Necton Substation Action Group.

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