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I reside near substations situated between Newton with Scales, Kirkham, and Freckleton. My concern pertains to the proposed connection to the National Grid at Penwortham substation, which involves a route crossing the Fylde and situating two substations near my property. This could severely impact the socio-economic landscape by displacing operational farms, harming local ecosystems, and endangering protected species. Additionally, it would degrade our quality of life by turning our peaceful rural area into an industrial zone. Alternative connection points to the grid, such as the brownfield site at Stannah or a less intrusive route through the Ribble Estuary to Penwortham, seem like better options.

Upon reviewing the Generation Assets documents, I noticed an absence of any mention of Penwortham, although it was cited in the public notice.

The Applicant's Planning Statement outlines the Morgan Offshore Wind Project Generation Assets and details the consenting strategy for both the Generation Assets and the Morgan and Morecambe Offshore Wind Farms Transmission Assets, referencing Penwortham in the context of the Transmission Assets application.

My concern is whether the Generation Assets proposal will select Penwortham as the connection point to the National Grid instead of the Transmission Asset project.

If the decision-making process for the Transmission Assets influences the choice of Penwortham as the National Grid connection point, I intend to submit further arguments during the hearings to advocate for an alternative site, given my significant concerns about the adequacy of prior consultations.

If the intention is to keep the two issues completely separate then there is no need for me to make a detailed submission and raise concerns.