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Dear Sirs

I write to you regarding SP Manweb's response to your questions raised in connection with the construction of a transmission line from Clocaenog to St Asaph .

Question 1.17 Cost comparisons between overhead and underground cables

If the costs given by SP Manweb are correct the on cost for underground cables over the 40 year lifetime of such cables is £700.000 pounds per year.

As the Windfarm developers are responsible for paying the costs of building the transmission line surely this amount of money is small in relation to the subsidies being provided by the Government.

In light of the announcement that SP Manweb are going to spend over a period of time £500 million pounds to remove pylons from the Snowdonia National Park to restore the beauty of that area surely the standard is being set. The route of this proposed connection is also through an area of great beauty and to destroy this with overhead cables and for such a small on-cost seems to be out of line with keeping our environment safe and current thinking. I believe people would pay more for their power if it keeps our countryside safe

I gather there is an inspection of the route taking place on the 22nd September 2015 and I would like to know if it possible the panel to visit the spot where the line passes my property and if I can be there to give information if required.

Yours faithfully

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