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For the Marie Shoesmith

Dear Sirs,

Planning Act 2008 (as amended) and The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2018 (the EIA Regulations) – Regulations 10 and 11

Application by AQUIND Limited (the Applicant) for an Order granting Development Consent for the AQUIND Interconnector (the Proposed Development)

Scoping consultation and notification of the Applicant's contact details and duty to make available information to the Applicant if requested.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above pre-application scoping opinion.

The applicant has entered into the highway authority's pre-application service and discussions are ongoing. This response reflects progress to date and identifies areas were further information is sought to support the application.

Chapter 24 of the EIA scoping covers transport matters. Key routes to the proposed Lovedean site have been identified, although further details regarding the routes will need to be provided together with details of construction traffic.

The cable routing is shown and outlined in paragraph 5.1.6 this will need to be discussed with the Highway Authority in more detail. Information regards cable laying proposals, carriageway widths required, and appropriateness of routes should be provided to support any application. Consideration must

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also be given to committed development in the area and measures taken to ensure service information and highway layout is up to date. Where possible non-highway routes should be identified to reduce the impact on the Highway network and minimise disruption from construction and on-going maintenance. There is particular concern relating to the use of the A3 corridor within the Hampshire network.

As outline in section 24 of the EIA a Transport Assessment/Statement will be required to support the application. The EIA sets out appropriately the areas in which the Transport Assessment should consider and further engagement with the Highway Authority to inform this assessment is welcomed.

Yours faithfully

