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**RE: Emerging Proposals for AQUIND Interconnector**

Dear ,

AQUIND Limited is in the process of drawing up proposals for a new underground and subsea electric power transmission link that will connect the UK and French electric power grids. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves, share some early information on our proposals and give you the opportunity to get in touch.

If approved, AQUIND Interconnector will increase competition across energy markets, which could mean lower energy prices for consumers and businesses.

AQUIND Interconnector will use well-tested and reliable technology. Without overhead lines, the project strives to achieve as low visual impact as possible.

At present, it is estimated that AQUIND Interconnector will become operational in 2022.

Please find enclosed an Information Leaflet which provides further information on the proposed Interconnector, which I hope you will find useful.

AQUIND is committed to engaging with the local communities relevant to the project and their representatives regarding its proposals. To achieve this, AQUIND will be hosting formal public consultation events in January 2018, to which the local community will be invited to attend.

AQUIND will also consult with all landowners that could be affected by the proposals.

We would welcome the opportunity to talk to you about the emerging proposals, in order to answer any questions you may have at this stage and to take on feedback.

We will be in touch in the coming days to extend an offer to meet with the project team and discuss the proposals in further detail. If you have any questions in the meantime, then please contact our information line on **01962 893869**.

Yours sincerely,

**The AQUIND Community Engagement Team**

