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Dear Sir / Madam

Objection to Aquind's Interconnector

I have watched the debacle that is Aquind unfold over the last year or two. Frankly it seems amazing that planning permission could be granted to such a secretive organisation. We have never been able to establish who the person is in ultimate control of the company. Companies House now shows that there is a person of significant control but the information is withheld. Is this in the interest of the British Public? The waters have been muddied further by donations purported to have been received by the Conservative party. It doesn't look good when you consider the constant threat of Russian interference in the UK.

Then there is the issue of where the ultimate control is situated and whether this will be yet another clever example of a company avoiding its responsibility to pay taxes; completely unacceptable given the state of the Nation's finances.

It doesn't make any sense at all to become reliant upon another country to supply energy. This means that we can be manipulated in the future by the threat of that country stopping the supply, just as the Russians have threatened the Ukraine (gas).

I have not even started on my misgivings about the way this company has acted with complete disdain to any householder on the cable's proposed route. Sending out legal letters requesting information about ownership, (a bit rich when you consider how little we know about Aquind's owner), upset so many elderly residents; many of whom thought their homes were about to become subject to a compulsory purchase order. This is a warning about how this company operates: without tact or respect.

The people of Portsmouth would suffer terribly during the installation process if this plan gets the go-ahead. We would not be able to contend with further disruption and congestion. Why on earth put a cable through the busiest island city in the UK, if not the world?

All this so that a secretive beneficiary can add to his fortune at the expense of the British Public.

There are too many inconsistencies: Aquind's plan must be rejected.

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