From: [redacted]
To: Aquind Interconnector
Subject: Objection to Aquind Proposals in Portsmouth
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Dear Inspector,

I have recently become aware of the Aquind Interconnector project proposed for Portsmouth. I am a resident of Southsea and I use the Eastern Road most days. I have had no direct contact with Aquino to date. This is all you need to know about the so-called 'consultation' that has been undertaken for this scheme.

I have worked in the construction industry for almost 20 years and had input into several successful DCO projects which have been put before the Planning Inspectorate. In these cases the amount of planning, effort and local engagement regarding the scheme has always been of paramount importance. Concerns of residents have been heard through public meetings, roadshows and letter-drops. The same cannot be said for Aquind's proposals. If this scheme is permitted to go ahead without the proper, rigorous consultation process that both the residents and the Inspectorate deserve then the process will have failed us all.

Please interrogate Aquind appropriately and hold them to the high standards that other organisations are rightfully held to. Most importantly I would request that they are asked to demonstrate their interaction with the residents of Portsmouth. As an island city with just 3 roads off the island, the impact of works on one road affects the whole city.

There are many reasons to object to the proposals but my main issue is that the vast majority of Portsmouth residents have absolutely no idea that this project is proposed and how their lives will be impacted by these proposals both temporarily and permanently.

Thank you for your time,

Signed: Rosamund Gray
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