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Subject: Aquind Portsmouth
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For the attention of Kwasi Kwarteng

Dear Mr Kwarteng,

I am writing to request that you consider the many reasons for not permitting Aquind to locate the superconductor in Portsmouth.

You will have heard the objections from many other sources, namely my fellow Portsmouth residents, so I will not go into the same detail, as you will no doubt have heard them repeated many, many times now.

Portsmouth is the most densely populated city outside London. We are an Island with only 3 roads in and out, gridlocked almost daily with normal traffic.

This causes a massive traffic pollution problem, and lung disease for many residents. Aquind plans will cause traffic chaos, and increase an already unacceptable level of pollution. Digging up areas of green space will also release dangerous Asbestos long buried, into the air around Portsmouth. This will further endanger human health.

All political parties in Portsmouth object to this. The issue of National security and outsourcing should be of equal importance to the above health objections. We place ourselves at risk of being held hostage to other countries politically, and Aquind construction may well prove to be a strategic mistake, therefore this is not a reliable source of energy.

The third consideration is that of climate change. You will be aware of the pressing need to tackle this problem immediately. There are so many reasons to reject this source of power that you will already be aware of, that I find it difficult to believe that you are considering giving this your approval.

Please consider the health of the residents of Portsmouth and surrounding areas, and reject this proposal from Aquind.

Yours sincerely

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