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Dear AQUIND Interconnector Case Team

I am yet another person who strongly objects to AQUIND's plan to route the interconnector from France through Portsmouth to Lovedean. I live in Denmead and do voluntary work in Portsmouth so my interest is across both areas. I am repeating statements you will have already received but that does not invalidate what I am saying.

You will no doubt be aware of a great number of factors already but I would like to reiterate that it is absolutely WRONG HEADED i.e. illogical to bring this cable ashore at Eastney and then route it along the Eastern Road. This is one of the busiest roads in the south of England and is one of only three major arterial routes into the city. The level of disruption would be untenable upon an already creaking infrastructure which is Portsmouth's road scheme.

To add to this, the proposed route runs alongside Langstone Harbour which is designated as an SSSI and could potentially harm these habitats and damage the migration of the already threatened Brent Geese. There has also been significant sea defence work along the same route which would be undermined by the laying of this cable. What a stupid waste of tax payers' money.

Right from the start AQUIND has bullied potentially affected residents. I understand they have been sending solicitors letters to residents, many elderly and frightened, asking them to provide details of land and home ownership. The AQUIND accounts show a lot of expenditure and no income. We know that some of this money has ended up in the UK Government's coffers. I find this appalling.

I have raised this issue with my own MP Flick Drummond as it makes me very angry and exasperated. She assured me she doesn't support this project. I sincerely hope that the UK Government rejects this plan completely and in doing so proves that it is genuinely interested in transparency and fair play AND has our national security as a priority. Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely

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