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Sent: 29 March 2023 09:11 **To:** Aquind Interconnector

Subject: Objection to Aquind interconnector project

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Dear all,

I object to the above project due to the impact this will have on the lives this will have on the people of Portsmouth and also due to our national security.

We live in a turbulent world and energy security isn't guaranteed by obtaining energy from other countries and especially from companies with dubious ties and owners.

We should be producing the energy ourselves. Look at the riots and protests going on in France right now. How does that give us the confidence that energy supplies wouldn't be affected and are secure. What guarantees are in place and what additional guarantees are in place for the data security that will be needed for the use of the data cables that are also proposed to be installed by the same company with the dubious ties and owners.

There will be a disastrous impact on the infrastructure on Portsmouths Eastern side whilst this work proceeds which will have a knock on impact on the rest of Portsmouth. Portsmouth on has three major roads through it and many times in the past, problems on anyone of these had caused gridlock across Portsmouth. There will be a huge environmental impact on wildlife, areas of nature and an impact on the health of people across Portsmouth as the work proceeds.

This does not need to go ahead and the project should be refused for the following reasons:- Environmental impact, energy and data security, impact on businesses due to traffic issues, impact on health due to stress and delays on emergency services, health issues caused by toxic waste exposure, economic impact of all the above and loss of trade tourism.

Andy