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To whom it may concern

I wish to make known my strong objections to the proposed Aquind Interconnector.

It will cause havoc in our already overcrowded and congested city. There are only 3 routes in and out of Portsmouth and this proposal will result in one of them being severely compromised for a long period.

Apart from the cost of disruption to the people of Portsmouth and surrounding areas, the proposed route is through some habitats deemed vital for wildlife. The work will involve digging on Milton Common, the site of a former municipal dump and landfill site. The potential for releasing a cocktail of toxic materials must surely be very high and would result in untold damage to the sensitive SSI's and the wildlife that inhabits them. Langstone Harbour is already under attack by regular sewage releases by the environmental criminals at Southern Water and that would surely pale into insignificance with the toxic soup likely to be released by the works required for this project.

Aquind also has no apparent track record of undertaking projects like this.

Aquind's owners have had direct links to the Kremlin and their application to also run a 'data' cable alongside the power cables must surely be considered a threat to national security especially at this time with the UK's current tense relationship with Russia.

Our city council objects to this project, our local MP's Stephen Morgan (Lab) and Penny Mordaunt (Con) object to this project as do thousands of local residents. There is also strong objection to this project along the proposed route in France where people and wildlife will also be severely impacted.

I believe many people have written to you providing well researched arguments against this project so please, do the right thing on behalf of the people of Portsmouth and surrounding areas, the extraordinary wildlife in this area and for our national security, reject this proposal once and for all.

Yours sincerely

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