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Dear Sir/Madam.

I wish to place upon formal record please my objection in the strongest possible terms to the Aquind Project.

The evidence is clear. It will be massively to the detriment of the local environment and to the lives of residents. There will be no benefits to the people of Portsmouth - the objective is profit for the very few, irrespective of the environmental costs and negative impact upon the many:

The east of our city will become a bulding site for years. The resulting disruption will be a blight upon the lives of thousands. Traffic delays will worsen air quality - already a problem in Portsmouth.

Wildlife habitats will be damaged in the short and medium term, with unknown long-term consequences.

The risk of disturbing historic land-fill sites containing toxic waste such as asbestos is one which simply should not be taken. It places pursuit of profit for a handful of already hyper-wealthy individuals above the well-being of thousands of residents.

There are no benefits for the people of Portsmouth, just huge environmental costs, degradation in quality of life and public health.

The claim that the project will bring cheaper electricty to the National Grid is a lie. Aquind has already been granted exemption from pricing regulation, which means that it can make substantial profits from consumers.

The plan contradicts current UK energy policy, which is to develop sustainable sources of power within our borders to promote energy security. We cannot tolerate a scheme which is in direct contradiction of this policy, proposed by a company which is owned by the Soviet-born oligarchs Viktor Fedotov and Alexander Temerko.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Page

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