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### Minister of State (Housing and Planning)

**I OBJECT IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS** to Aquind's proposal to install cables, designed to carry 2 million watts of electricity, from Eastney Beach, Portsmouth and to dig trenches and drill tunnels from the landing-place, South to North in the City and further to route the trenching through urban areas outside of the City in order to connect to The National Grid at Lovedean, Hampshire.

The controversial Aquind Connector proposal includes tunnelling under important community facilities and protected habitats, digging deep and disruptive trenches, gouging through vital road links, through dense urban areas and designated areas for recreation and nature. There will also be temporary, but deeply disruptive, long-term use of car parks and other public spaces during the years of installation. Furthermore, toxic materials long-buried safely in landfill sites along the planned route will be unearthed, further harming the environment.

If given the go ahead, the construction of Aquind's planned route through OUR city, the 2nd most densely populated outside London and already suffering severe congestion, will result in many months of disruption. It will cause untold damage to the fabric of OUR city, with traffic chaos causing more unnecessary pollution and negatively affect the people who live here, as well as those who visit the historic City of Portsmouth.

**PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE THIS PROPOSAL TO ROUTE THROUGH THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH**

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