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Dear sir or madam

I am writing to object to the ongoing plans for the Aquind connector. There are several reasons for my objection. Some of my concerns are:

- the harmful effects of the construction works on Portsmouth and beyond
  - the ongoing opposition in France
  - overcapacity for France
  - the uncertain nature of the project, and doubts over its financial viability
  - the loss of Project of Common Interest status
  - the need for the Aquind Interconnector in France is questionable
  - UK all interconnectors either running or approved make up nearly 17 GW, Lion Link another interconnector between UK and Netherlands has been approved, 1.8 GW
  - another interconnector Xlink currently discussed would provide 3.6 GW.
  - government plan by 2030 to have 18GW in interconnectors- well above this looking at all interconnectors above
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- local authorities should have more say as they know their local environment
  - why was this project given the status  
Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project?

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