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To: Aquind Interconnector

Subject: PROPOSED AQUIND INTERCONNECTOR

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To whom it may concern

Yet again I find myself having to write with my objection to the proposed interconnector. I would like to know why you keep moving the goalposts regarding this matter. Is it because it is Russian backed & they are known Tory donors? I would have thought you would seek to distance yourselves from this Company in view of the ongoing attacks on Ukraine.

I will not attempt to bore you with all the information you will have received regarding objections but I will remind you that both MP's serving Portsmouth, together with PCC are vehemently opposed to this project, as are the French who have been consistent in their refusal of this unwanted project.

To put it simply, the route proposed would cause damage to allotments. Then, when reaching Moorings Way, they will encounter a residential area, also housing a Primary School. Milton Common itself is home to various wildlife & dog walkers & many other people use this area to exercise & walk. Milton Common itself has underneath it toxic waste & if this was to be disturbed it could cause unknown health issues to residents, children & people taking advantage of one of the few green areas of our City.

Portsmouth itself is an Island with a dense population. The Eastern Road itself is 1 of only 3 roads in & out of Portsmouth & is usually gridlocked during rush hour. There only needs to be an accident & Portsmouth becomes paralysed with traffic. Using this route for the interconnector is a ludicrous idea. The rest of the route itself causes will present problems along the way. 7 years of unnecessary upheaval is totally unrealistic. Air pollution will escalate unnecessarily.

Aquind itself has no proven track record or Accounts to back up their trading worth let alone demonstrate they have the funds to carry out an unnecessary & unwanted project. I believe they stated an intention to reconnect with people affected by their planned works. They never connected with people at the start of this proposed venture & have not at any stage of this foolhardy project.

People have a right to live a peaceful life so what compensation will be given to everyone affected?

All in all, the French are opposed, we the people are opposed, our MP's & PCC are opposed so make the right decision once & for all & reject this project out of hand. There are far better routes than this one & is it actually needed?

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