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I am dumbstruck that yet again there has been a delay in the outcome for this totally unwanted & unnecessary proposition.

I will repeat that Portsmouth City Council, the 2 MP's for the City & the people of Portsmouth bitterly oppose this project. Am I to assume that these delays are purely for the benefit of Aquind? We are well aware of the fact that the dubious characters behind this Company have made significant donations to the Conservative Party. I am sure you are aware that we will all form our own conclusions should the previous decision to refuse this project is overturned. This Government should not be doing any business with Russians. The French have repeatedly said "no" to this project so are we to believe this Govt is yet again demonstrating they have no backbone. You will also be condemning your own MP to the possible loss of her seat. She is bitterly opposed to this Interconnector & is one of a handful of MP's who should command respect.

Aquind have in no way sought to discuss this project with any of the people affected. The only communication I received is a questionnaire a few years ago. Incorporated in this questionnaire was a Section asking if I was a homeowner. If so they wanted the name & address of the Mortgage Company. This is an intrusion of my privacy & I shredded the questionnaire.

In fact I think it totally improper.

The Company has no proven track record whatsoever. It has not addressed issues raised & it looks like the feasibility study 2014/15 has not been provided.

You have numerous objections made previously. I live in Moorings Way opposite Milton Common. The common used to be a tip & underneath it is toxic waste & probably asbestos. There is a Primary School in Moorings Way as well. You will be risking the health of residents & small children should the Common be dug up. Also, the Common is one of the few green areas in this over populated City. Wildlife also live within the Common as well as a lake for swans. It would be obscene for this to be disturbed. Many people drive to the Common to exercise, play with their children & walk their dogs. People have a right to live a peaceful life & this will not be the case. I would assume a compensation package will be proposed to all people affected. Furthermore, I would never allow part of my property to be dug up.

Turning to the Eastern Road. This is one of only 3 roads in & out of the City. It is heavily used & can be gridlocked at peak hours. How can Aquind even say it will cause no disruption. It will fail net zero emissions. The rest of the route will cause unknown disturbance & the threat of this Company to compulsory purchase properties is downright obscene.

Is this interconnector even required? There are far better ways to do this in any event. It can be done underwater but this will be more expensive, hence this ludicrous proposition.

I will reiterate, Portsmouth is totally opposed to this Interconnector. It will be bad for our City on many fronts. France has been opposed to it from the start but you seem to be incapable of rejecting it out of hand. Kwasi Kwarteng ruled against it & nothing has changed since. The Council, Labour MP & the Conservative MP are vehemently opposed to it so there is a united front on this issue. Do the right thing & reject this proposition once

& for all.

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