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Dear Secretary of State,

I am emailing to voice my objection to the routing of the Aquind interconnector through Portsmouth.

Whilst not in principle against interconnectors per se I am horrified at the route that is planned for this interconnector. It will cause nothing but chaos and damage to the already densely populated, congested and polluted city of Portsmouth. The fact that all of the city's politicians of one accord are against the AQUIND project speaks volumes. Everyone knows that it will be a disaster for the city, damaging our very few green spaces, affecting the wildlife and clogging one of the main arteries in and out of the city. If you knew our city well you would understand what effect this project would have.

AQUIND have behaved with arrogance ignoring alternative, less disruptive routes suggested and insisting on this one. Their behaviour has been nothing short of bullying, sending solicitors letters to householders, many of whom are elderly and have lived in their houses for years asking to provide details of land and home ownership. Surely u cannot sanction such behaviour.

However what concerns me most and should concern you as a senior conservative politician is the mist of corruption that hangs over this whole affair. ! To actually hear one Of the directors of AQUIND boast about being able to topple a Prime Minister because he has so many conservative politicians in his pocket is nothing short of scandalous.

I was especially incredulous to hear you state on the Andrew Marr show that you have not shown support for this project when there are letters that clearly show otherwise. In my book

that is a straightforward lie . How can you possibly make an impartial decision on a project that you said that you would support?

No wonder people are so distrustful of politicians when very clearly money buys influence. By donating to a politician, any money making project you want to undertake, no matter how unpopular it is with the general public, will be received favourably.

It is thinly disguised bribery and you and the politicians who are involved should be totally ashamed of yourselves.

It is the people of Portsmouth's lives and quality of their lives that you are dealing with here.

I strongly urge you to do the right thing and reject the project.

Yours

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