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17th July 2024 TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It is now just over a year since I sent in my heartfelt objection to the Aquind Interconnector Scheme and as it appears that nothing has changed and we still await a decision, I feel that it is imperative that I repeat my objection in writing, so the newly responsible people in Government realise that we are still here and as determined as ever.

This is only the second time in my short 79 year lifespan, that I feel strongly enough, in the light of the repeated extensions to the official deadline, to once again put pen to paper and compose an email, mainly directed to the newly appointed person with the ultimate authority, to grant or reject the latest, slightly changed, Aquind Interconnector Application.

This email carries my heartfelt plea to try and persuade you that this proposed Aquind Interconnector scheme, even without the proposed Data Link as suggested in the original specifications, really is one of the most ill-conceived and destructive applications that I, as a responsible, native inhabitant of the UK, have seen in many, many years, and if allowed to proceed will condemn thousands of people living and working in the Eastney, Portsmouth, Waterlooville and Lovedean areas to many years of extra dust, air pollution, construction noise, traffic chaos, compulsory house purchases and aggravated antisocial living conditions in general.

To even consider letting a zero track-record company go ahead and remove numerous listed trees; rip up ground harbouring dormant toxic waste; severely restrict city road access on the eastern shoreline of the most populated peninsular on the south coast; cut through an incredibly important area of special scientific interest on Langstone Harbour; dig its way up Portsdown Hill and carve a trench through the densely populated London Road and East Hampshire countryside as far as Lovedean; adding to what are known to be already exceptionally high pollution levels and creating an estimated Seven Years of traffic chaos, all for the sake of trying to bring Non-Eco friendly nuclear power from France, a country that has so far completely rejected this scheme, to our shores, is quite simply, an absolutely ludicrous scheme which simply cannot be justified at any time, on any rational level.

The sheer depth of public opposition rapidly growing and being voiced in this South Hampshire area really has to be seen to be believed. As the local people here digest the full details of the disruption that will be caused, the majority cannot see that there is anything at all to recommend this plan, especially as it would appear that our French counterparts on the other side of the channel are also vehemently against this whole scheme as well.

If you consider that trying to bring unnecessary, Non-Eco friendly nuclear generated electric power from France to our shores, against the accepted government Policy for the supply of 100% sustainable green energy in the UK by 2030, is actually essential, I would point out that there are several, cheaper, shorter, and far less disruptive schemes, involving much less populated routes and different connection points to our national grid, that have been put forward for evaluation and which really should at least be considered in preference to Aquind's proposal - a ludicrous waste of money, involving wilful destruction of property and countryside.

**I still remain...
Yours Sincerely**

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