

**RE: Halite Energy Group's Proposed Underground Gas Storage Project, Preesall, Lancashire**

**Dear Sir/Madam**

Although not a resident of the Preesall area I am writing in support of the above project. I have read the concerns of some of the local residents and although i can sympathise with some concerns, others seam very unrealistic, as for the case "We are storing a underground bomb"

We need to store gas, it has to be stored somewhere, i am no expert in this field but common sense seems to tell me it would be safer to store large quantities of gas underground rather than large si-lo,s on the surface.

Job creation is important, surely such a technical project of this nature would create high quality well paid employment, also creating further opportunities for local support business and services

It is only a observation but we in the UK do seem rather backward when it comes to large engineering projects. I know people do not want to see constant building and development of countryside environments i can totally understand that, but if we with wish to keep our essential services running we have to invest in new projects.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely  
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