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Dear Mr Scott,

Re: Halite Energy Group's proposed Underground Gas Storage facility at Preesall

I am writing as a Sales Director at ThyssenKrupp Uhde Energy & Power in support of Halite's proposed underground gas storage facility at Preesall, Lancashire.

ThyssenKrupp Uhde Energy & Power is a professional engineering and project management contractor, assisting clients with oil, gas and power developments throughout the project lifecycle. We work with clients to deliver added value to their operations through a responsive flexible and tailored approach.

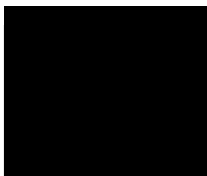
I have recently engaged with the Halite Energy management team to understand its plans for its gas storage facility in Preesall, Lancashire. Their proposal is for the development of up to 19 purpose-built, individually designed and constructed new caverns in the salt field that lies deep underground at Preesall. The level of investment at £660m is significant. If approved, my firm is very interested and committed to providing a large range of services to the project.

Strategically as the UK power generation mix becomes more dominated by intermittent power generation there will be an increasing dependency on conventional gas CCGT power generation to provide a fast and reliable backup when the intermittent power generation stops generating.

Ensuring that there continues to be sufficient levels of fast cycle gas storage, designed to be able to respond to sudden changes in gas demand, will likewise become increasingly important for energy security. Preesall is exactly the type of fast cycle gas storage that the UK needs – gas stored at this site would be easily and readily available to the National Grid for distribution throughout the country at times of fluctuating demand.

I would like to assist Halite in its efforts to obtain a Development Consent Order (DCO) by asking the Secretary of State to grant consent.

Yours sincerely,



Andy Cooper
Sales Director