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PREEASALL UNDERGROUND GAS STORAGE FACILITY

Interested Party representations on the independent Geological report

Dear Mr Scott

Having read the independent report it is clear that Halite have again not provided sufficient information for the assessment to be carried out. In particular the Senergy report states that the data which they received was inadequate due to the “absence of fault interpretation”.

The IPC panel placed the condition that “The development should not proceed unless it could be demonstrated that the amount of gas which could ultimately be stored was greater than 300mcm”.

It is clear from the Senergy report that Halite have failed to demonstrate this.

The Senergy report states that there is only a 2% probability of this volume being achieved and a more likely volume, with a 90% probability would be 124 mcm. – Less than 50% of the conditional volume.

The expert report included in the Protect Wyre Group representation suggests that the Senergy estimated volume of 124mcm may be optimistic and that the volume could be as low as 87mcm. This report appears to be well reasoned and should be taken into account.
The estimate of the potential storage volume by Senergy is less than 50% of the 300mcm, and the PWG estimate is lower than the Senergy prediction.

It is clear that Halite are not even close to demonstrating that conditional volume can be achieved and therefore the application should be refused.

Yours Sincerely

P J Moore