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For the attention of:

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Dear Susan

I cannot understand why late objections to the DCO have been allowed, outside of the end of the official enquiry carried out by PINS. I understood that the 2008 Act was to speed up the DCO process, and not allow deliberate delaying objections from opposing parties. Don't let this drag on ad infinitum. Surely, represented parties had enough time during the enquiry to present their evidence. If more spurious evidence is submitted outside of the official enquiry, how long will the SOS decision be delayed for? Will it be extended beyond the current 4 months delay, and if so, how long will that be? Please don't let this drag on for years, as happened with Heathrow. Thanet is the most deprived area in the South East and we are desperate for the inward investment proposed by RSP, which will also be of great advantage to the whole of East Kent and, of course it being of national importance. Please do not allow any more delays

## Michael Redmond

