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Subject: Long Hours and Wylfa Newydd: Application for Development Consent Order
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Dear Sir or Madam,

The planning inspectorate of the National Infrastructure Commission are currently examining evidence concerning the proposal by Horizon Nuclear to construct a 2.9 Gigawatt Nuclear Power Station on the North coast of Anglesey.

The inspectors commenced public hearings over three days last week. I provided oral evidence which I have attached. I would like to draw your attention to my last point (9) concerning working hours. Horizon are proposing that their construction workers work on a pattern of 11 days on three days off and that shifts are 10.5 hours. This equates to 57.75 hours per week. Construction will take 8 – 10 years and at peak there will be around 9,500 on site of whom 4,000 will live on site at a campus whilst the balance will commute daily with up to 1.5 hours travelling time one way.

I have alerted Horizon over many months of my concern that these long hours are intrinsically unsafe and I have done so now with the Examining Authority. My worry is that there will be accidents on site due to fatigue and that this will also be the cause of road traffic accidents. I sense that Horizon are devolving this detail to sub-contractors who I believe have an embedded long hours culture. I also am concerned that the Examining Authority is comprised of planning experts who may not have in depth expertise in work practices. I wonder whether if ROSPA could take an interest in this issue and in particular write to the Examining Authority sharing your specialist experience in matters of long hours working and accidents. The Examining Authority invite parties to contact them by e mail: Wylfa@pins.gsi.gov.uk.

Details of the DCO application including all the supporting documents can be found on the National Infrastructure website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/wales/wylfa-newydd-nuclear-power-station/>

Horizon has been coy about publicising the proposed working hours however some detail is available in Document 8.24 Site Selection paras 3.2.23 to 3.2.26 which can be viewed and downloaded from the website above.

Yours sincerely

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