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Dear Jake,

Please accept this email as an objection to the Aquind interconnector. It summarises the events which have taken place recently.

(I sent previously a link and you asked me to send you a document rather than a link.)

Kind Regards,
Viola Langley,
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AQUIND: Where We Are Now – United Across Borders

For more than five years, Let's Stop Aquind (LSA) has campaigned tirelessly to bring an end to the proposed Aquind Interconnector. This project, which would carve a destructive route through Portsmouth and beyond, has raised profound concerns around national security, environmental damage, local disruption, and opaque financing. Recent developments, particularly from France, show just how far this campaign has come and why continued vigilance remains essential.

At the end of October 2025, our French counterparts, **Non à Aquind**, visited Portsmouth and communities along the planned route of the proposed interconnector. Although we may not speak the same language, we speak with one clear and united voice: **AQUIND must not be allowed to proceed**. This visit demonstrated the strength of cross-border opposition and the power of collaboration between communities, campaigners, and elected representatives.

A United Front in Portsmouth

On Friday, 31 October 2025, a series of in-person meetings took place in Portsmouth involving our French colleagues, local campaigners, MPs, councillors, and civic leaders. Present were Portsmouth's two MPs, Hampshire and Police and Crime Commissioner councillors, and mayors from Normandy, alongside representatives from Non à Aquind and Let's Stop Aquind.

These meetings were significant not only for the solidarity they displayed but also for the crucial updates our French partners were able to share. Six years into their own fight against Aquind, they brought two pieces of extremely encouraging news:

Aquind's application for a Maritime Concession in France has been refused.
The Aquind Interconnector has been deemed to be of no national interest at both local and national levels in France.

According to our French partners, these decisions mean that the Aquind Interconnector is, at this point, effectively dead in France. However, they were also clear that Aquind is unlikely to give up easily. As a result, Non à Aquind will remain vigilant, just as we must here in the UK.

The Situation in England

While the outlook in France appears increasingly decisive, the situation in England remains unresolved. Discussions are ongoing between the Ministry of Defence, the

