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Subject: Inquiry on permit EPR/HP3228XT/V004: NNB Generation Company (HPC)

From: Welsh Anti-Nuclear Alliance,

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Dear Sirs,

We wish to make representations at this proposed Public Inquiry to oppose NNB Generation Company (HPC)'s request to dispense with an AFD

(acoustic fish deterrent) as part of the cooling water inflow for Hinkley Point C. This was previously an integral part of their permission to abstract water from the Estuary, but they have now decided that an AFD is impracticable, because it would be too difficult and expensive to maintain. Fish will not now be deterred from being sucked into this system and more will be damaged if this request is allowed.

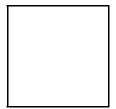
We do not think EdF should be allowed to continue to have license to build their seawater cooling system without an AFD, because without this there will be no feasible fish diversion measures, meaning the effects on sea-life of the seawater cooling system will prevent the station from conforming to the Habitats Regulations, which seek to minimise damage to fish in the estuary, as much as is possible. Some of these fish are European Protected Species and have additional legal protection. The Estuary now has Marine Protection Area status and this must be adhered to protect endangered marine life.

We suggest that the terms of the Inquiry should be wide. As damage to fish will occur when water is sucked into the cooling system, we request that using an alternative cooling system for the reactor is investigated. Evaporative cooling towers could be built on land or air cooling systems could be used. This would stop any harm to fish and marine life through entering the seawater cooling system, and would alleviate the threat to the mesh seives of being blocked by large fish or jellyfish blooms.

Please acknowledge this request from us to object to any alteration of GencoEdF's planning conditions to lessen protection to marine life in the Severn Estuary and inform us on our next steps in participating in any inquiry into permit EPR/HP3228XT/V004: NNB Generation Company (HPC).

Yours sincerely,

Nicola Roberts, WANA



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