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Dear Sir/Madam

Severn Tidal Power Consultation

I am writing on behalf of the East of England Rural Forum to express the Forums concerns over the proposed options for the Severn Barrage Tidal Power Scheme.

We in the East of England fear this may have serious implications for the region in terms of loss of high quality agricultural land and also loss of important environmental habitats. We are particularly concerned that the estuaries of the Orwell, Stour, Deben, Harwich and Hamford Water areas are part of a wider list of suitable sites.

We should therefore by way of this letter like to be kept informed about further development and proposals that may affect the East of England Region.

Yours faithfully,



John Yates
Chair, East of England Rural Forum