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Re: Planning Reference No:
NY/2025/0030/ENV
Europa Oil and Gas
application for
appraisal drilling at
Burnston Mill site

Dear Amy

I am writing in
connection with the
above Planning
Application made by
Europa Oil and Gas
for the construction,
drilling and testing

of this site to extract gas through a proppant squeeze process

Having considered this fully, I wish to object for the following reasons:

Road safety

The heavy goods vehicles who will use the roads leading to this site may adversely affect the safety of the general public, especially young children who walk or cycle to school and older/elderly people who use disability aids, e.g. three wheel sit-on vehicles. Moreover these heavy goods vehicles may adversely affect the surface / substructure of the roads, e.g. potholes and cracks. These will have to be repaired at a time when local

government authorities are somewhat in financial distress

Climate change

The oil and gas extracted by Europa will, in the main, be burnt at a time when the global climate is at a critical point. The combustion of oil and gas will produce not only heat, but also gases which will cause global temperatures to rise and affect climate change adversely.

Earth tremors

The propanit squeeze site is contiguous to a geological fault line and will cause earth tremors and possibly minor earthquakes. Thus

may affect the substructures on which there are residential dwellings and possibly agricultural land. Public footpaths used by walkers and cyclists may also be affected.

Tourism

Many tourists use, for instance, Scarborough as a holiday destination. They may be extremely cautious about staying in an area being subjected to proppant squeeze. For instance, the flaring of gas will be unrightly and will pollute the atmosphere. The noise from the heavy goods vehicles will be intrusive in a predominantly rural area as will

the pollution from
burning the fuel
used by heavy goods
vehicles and the
dust produced by
the heavy goods
vehicles

Disposal of the
water used by
proppant squeeze

The water produced
by proppant squeeze
will be contaminated
and will have to
be disposed of safely.
it will also have to
be transported safely.
Where will the
disposal site be?

For all of the above
reasons, please
reject Europa's
application.

Yours sincerely

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