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Important information on a Duke Energy Ohio natural gas distribution line project in your area: East End Replacement Project

Dear Property Owner or Tenant:

Duke Energy is investing in a safe and reliable energy future for our 400,000 natural gas customers in Ohio. As part of our modernization efforts, we have proposed a natural gas replacement pipeline to increase the reliability of the natural gas delivery system in southwestern Ohio.

Natural gas has been available in the Cincinnati area since 1837, when our predecessor company, Cincinnati Gas Light and Coke Company, went into business to illuminate the downtown streets. Statistics show that natural gas pipelines are the safest mode of energy transportation; providing you with safe, reliable natural gas is a responsibility we at Duke Energy take very seriously. This pipeline will help ensure natural gas reliability for decades to come in Hamilton County.

Project details

The East End Replacement Project runs south-southeast, between U.S. Route 52 and the Ohio River, starting near Corbin Street and ending near the confluence of the Little Miami and Ohio Rivers. Duke Energy Ohio is proposing to replace approximately 18,200 feet of an existing natural gas main along this route, in order to mitigate risks associated with the age of the pipeline and to proactively increase the safety and reliability of the system. The existing natural gas main is a 20- and 24-inch spiral-welded, coated steel main that was installed in 1948. It will be replaced with new, corrosion-protected steel main of the same sizes, with a normal operating pressure of approximately 200 pounds per square inch gage. Approximately 13,303 feet of the replacement line is proposed to be located within the existing pipeline right of way. The remaining 3,857 feet is expected to be within existing roadway easement or new pipeline right of way. A map of the replacement project area is included with this letter.

A Letter of Notification to construct, operate, and maintain this facility is now pending before the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) in Columbus, Ohio. Interested persons may participate in the process by filing comments in the docket, or by seeking permission to formally intervene in the case. You also may request notification of the filing documents in the case, by signing up with

the OPSB for electronic notice of filings, or by sending a letter to the OPSB to indicate your interest. The case may be found on the OPSB's website, identified as Case No. 17-328-GA-BLN. The OPSB can be reached by email at: contactOPSB@puc.state.oh.us, by phone, 866.270.6772, or by mail addressed to: The Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus OH 43215.

A copy of the application is available for public inspection at the main office of Duke Energy Ohio, 139 E. Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, and at the offices of the OPSB, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. It also is available on the Duke Energy Ohio website: www.duke-energy.com/eastendreplacement, and on the Ohio Power Siting Board's website: www.opsb.ohio.gov.

We will be holding an information session on this project. It will be held:

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

Duke Energy Operations Center, 4612 Kellogg Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45226

Information session will go from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

The format of this information session will be a presentation about the project with time for questions following the presentation. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please forward this information to any tenants that may be occupying properties referenced in this notification.

Thank you for working with us as we move forward with this important replacement project to meet your energy needs.

Sincerely,

Kelsey Pace Duke Energy Ohio Project Engineer

