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Nathan H. Manning
State Representative
55th District

April 1, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing today to express my support for the NRG Ohio Pipeline which is slated to be constructed in Avon Lake. This pipeline will prove to be beneficial not only to the city of Avon Lake, but to all of Northeast Ohio. Additionally, this pipeline will serve to sustain the current workforce at the power plant on Lake Road in Avon Lake, as well as create jobs for the purpose of constructing the gas lines.

NRG Ohio Pipeline Company has gone through extensive steps to ensure that the construction of this new pipeline will be done in a responsible manner. NRG has voluntarily conducted an all-encompassing route selection study to ensure minimal injury to private property and the environment. NRG also negotiated with landowners to guarantee that the construction would not require existing homes or public lands to be removed. NRG has also held multiple public meetings, which were not required in the application process, on the subject of the pipeline's construction.

A plant similar to the one in Avon Lake recently shut down in Beverly, Ohio. This shut down cost the city 62 high-paying jobs. Other plants are also slated to be shutdown within the year. The Avon Lake plant has provided good jobs to our citizens for many years and we have a chance to retain those jobs with the construction of this new pipeline.

In summary, the NRG Ohio Pipeline Company has been working to ensure that the construction of the new gas lines would be done in a responsible way. The new pipeline will bring clean-burning natural gas to the area and, in doing so, maintain good paying jobs in our district. Large scale projects are never easy for the community in the short term, but the completion of the pipeline will have a positive effect on the area for years to come. I urge you to move forward with this project.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nathan H. Manning".

Nathan H. Manning

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