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**Subject:** Concern/Complaint re: Case # 16-253-GA-BTX

This is to express my opposition to the proposed Central Corridor Pipeline Extension Project proposed by Duke Energy (Case # 16-253-GA-BTX). I object to such as massive scale pipeline being routed through a heavily populated area like the City of Blue Ash. I am concerned that the infrastructure is not in place to keep the public safe. The volume of natural gas capacity has been increasing so rapidly and there are insufficient resources for regulation and oversight. The impact of failure on a pipeline this size could be catastrophic. Is there an objective assessment that illustrates a need that cannot be met through other means?

I am particularly concerned about the Pink Line location. I live at 9288 Bluewing Terrace, in a neighborhood with steep hills, extensive woodlands, wildlife and privacy. I do not believe it is appropriate or necessary for Duke Energy to locate a high capacity/high pressure transmission line directly through a residential area such as ours, or on the Pink/Blue route alternative, which passes directly in front of an elementary school and daycare center. Duke would have to take extraordinary, highly invasive and destructive measures in order to build the transmission line along the backyards of Bluewing Terrace. There is no street access to the backyards, because behind the homes is wooded hilly terrain. Not only would the backyards and adjacent woodland be destroyed by heavy duty equipment, deforestation and loss of natural erosion control, but the front yards would as well in order for the equipment to access the proposed pipeline location. Additionally, extraordinary measures, such as horizontal deep drilling are being considered because the steep grade of the terrain makes traditional digging difficult. I would like to understand why it would be necessary for a pipeline to be routed through that kind of terrain in a residential area near schools and recreation areas. There are many major North/South thoroughfares between Duke's distribution centers, including the I-71 and I-75 corridors. Within the city of Blue Ash, there are abundant flat, clear, wide North/South corridors including Reed Hartman Highway and Kenwood Rd (which runs along a little used railroad track) and East/West arteries include I-275, Kemper Rd., Cornell Rd, Creek Rd, Marlsbary Rd. These areas are flat, most of them are sparsely populated and there are fewer physical barriers such as trees and buildings. It seems to me, these locations would be more appropriate and easier to install and manage.

Thank you,  
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