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Ohio Power Siting Board
Docketing Division
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Re: Duke Energy Ohio Central Corridor Extension Project Case #16-253-GA-BTX

Dear Siting Board Members:

I am writing in opposition of Duke Energy's pre-application for Case #16-253-GA-BTX. I am appalled the Ohio Power Siting Board is even considering a utility scaled sized project of this magnitude to go through a densely populated residential area such as mine in the Tangleridge subdivision of Blue Ash, Ohio. I have resided in this peaceful residential area since 1986.

As a licensed General Contractor/Master Electrician: *Ohio License #10597* and North American Board Certified Energy Practitioner (*NABCEP Certificate #091310-139*), I have done the math.

One would wonder, how much Energy does a Natural Gas pipeline with a 30 inch diameter, 720 PSI distribution line produce?

1. 30" NG Pipe at 720 PSI = 550,000 Deka Thermal Units/day (DTH/day)
2. 550,000 DTH/day = approximately 3,000 Megawatts/day (MW/day)
3. 1 MW of electricity can power 164 houses/day.
4. 492,000 homes/day equates to enough Natural Gas for the conversion of FIVE (5) or more Coal Fired Power Plants.

Duke Energy's Proposal to BURY THIS PIPELINE DIRECTLY THROUGH MY NEIGHBORHOOD IS AN EGREGIOUS ACT!

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For your information, on April 29, 2016, a 30 inch diameter pipe line similar to the one Duke is proposing exploded in Salem Township, Pennsylvania, and decimated the area. The blast and heat were felt one mile away.

ABC World News Report: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sBrqjiVWa0c> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZkEXfa2AMY0>

This incident was horrifying to this rural community. Imagine how horrifying it would be if this were to happen in the middle of a highly dense population such as ours in Blue Ash, Ohio! Our community has a "daytime population" of approximately 55,000 people due to the 2,000 businesses within the city limits. Additionally, our community sponsors numerous festivals throughout the summer which in the past have attracted over 150,000 people!

Times have changed board members! Domestic terrorist groups continue to grow and plaque the safety of all our communities! Installing a pipeline of this magnitude could make us a highly visible target especially given our location is in such close proximity to Jewish synagogues, Temples, and the Cincinnati Jewish Community Center.

Siting Board Members, what would you do if this same proposed pipeline was going in your backyard? Would you not call everybody you knew? Would you not handout flyers, not put out lawn signs, contact your local, state, and federal representatives, write the newspapers, call Talk-Show Radio, call the TV stations, organize a grass roots effort to combat the placement of this pipeline?

My suggestion is to make the RIGHT decision for the health and safety of our community and **DO NOT** approve this proposed pipeline!

Respectfully,



Perry Leitner, Homeowner