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To Ohio Power Siting Board Members:

I am writing to oppose Duke Energy's proposed Central Corridor Pipeline Extension Project. All three proposed routes under consideration for this project are inappropriate for the residential areas they will affect due to the scale of the pipeline and the dangers inherent to it. This is not a service pipeline providing energy to local communities. It is a large scale, dangerous transmission pipeline more appropriate to be sited in industrial areas or along interstate corridors, and certainly in less densely populated areas.

All three routes site the pipeline directly through densely populated areas affecting not only private residences, but schools, places of worship, day cares and nursing homes, and local businesses as well. The unpredictable dangers of this project extremely inappropriate for the number of high density residential neighborhoods it affects. In addition, the construction of the pipeline and long-term maintenance needs for it would cause significant and irreversible environmental damage. I have 2 spring-fed creeks on my property and am deeply concerned about the short-term effects from construction and long-term effects from changed storm water runoff patterns to the watershed.

To be honest, I expected better decision making and public stewardship from Duke Energy and was appalled when I learned about the scope, routes and dangers with this project. Duke Energy should have assessed these concerns proactively, but it appears they are simply driven by financial concerns.

I am asking the Siting Board to require Duke Energy Company to reroute this dangerous project to industrial or rural routes less dangerous to the local communities and more appropriate for a transmission pipeline of this scale.

Thank you for your consideration.

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