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## DUKE ENERGY'S PROPOSED NATURAL PIPELINE ROUTES

It has been brought to our attention that Duke Energy is planning to build a 30 inch high pressure gas pipeline through or very close to our neighborhood in the very near future.

Not only will the construction thereof be extremely disruptive with the possibility of destroying the areas permanently, but also poses a danger [as witnessed recently in at least two other places in this country where similar pipelines are in place] to life and property especially in such densely populated areas. It is also inevitable that property values will decrease markedly, as a result.

Today there are so many hazards faced by people living in densely populated areas which are beyond anyone's control. It is therefore felt that there is no justification to subject us to any further high risk situations such as this pipeline which certainly serves no purpose to us in the proposed areas, is non-governmental, or essential for our protection in any way, and is purely a commercial venture!

This is an enormous country with wide open spaces where the buffalo used to roam. *Is there any reason why such a pipeline cannot be directed away from built up areas through wide open fields?*

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