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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to register my formal complaint in opposition to the proposed pipeline. The lack of information and dialogue about the positioning of such an installation is of equal concern.

As a real estate professional and Blue Ash resident I am writing to inform you of my opposition to this action and ask that it be stopped and full consideration be given to the total and comprehensive negative economic impact to the neighboring community property values.

While I understand that Duke Energy has not presently filed a formal application and therefore details are preliminary and incomplete, any final proposed preferred or alternate routes for the pipeline must at the very least minimize the impact on the affected communities.

Recently this same utility organization, with no regard for personal property impact or values, conducted a "scorched earth" campaign in indiscriminately cutting down and destroying mature trees and vegetation (presumably from power lines) with no regard for or consultation from individual property owners. Since mature trees and vegetation on personal property appears to be such a problem for Duke Energy's overhead power line resources, a better use of infrastructure investment could ostensibly be used to replace that long outdated overhead technology with underground utility infrastructure. While this may seem to be an unrelated matter with respect to the Pipeline Extension project, it goes to the mindset of a utility (Duke) and its' overseer (PUCO)(OPSB), in their exercise of unrestricted and unabated decision-making relating to the overall public's interest.

In closing, although I am speaking as an individual citizen, I know I can safely assert that in my professional capacity I represent countless other community residents and businesses with grievous concerns about the proposed Pipeline Extension.

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