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COMMENT DESCRIPTION:

I am writing to voice my opposition of the siting of the proposed Central Corridor Extension Project via the proposed routes that travel through Blue Ash and congruent residential neighborhoods. While I understand the need for gas pipeline infrastructure renovation and development; my research indicates that a pipeline of this magnitude (30" high capacity pressurized gas line) is ill suited for location within a highly populated business/residential area

such as ours. The proposed pipeline is one that is normally routed through rural areas due to the potential danger they pose when breached. One need only research recent tragedies to understand the gravity and inherent danger associated with these pipelines. While doing my research, I came upon an article that was written in the WSJ after the San Bruno gas line incident wherein 58 homes were destroyed or significantly damaged and 8 lives were lost. The writer spoke to Brigham McCown, the former head of the federal Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, who called for creation of a national commission to examine the problem of high-pressure fuel pipelines that pass through residential areas, as well as near schools and other public facilities. He is quoted as saying "Often, it takes an incident like this one (San Bruno) to force change," A suggestion he made was to create "a no man's land around some of these pipelines or restrict lines of certain sizes from neighborhoods." My question at this point is "have we learned nothing?!?" I'm sure there are many safety measures that can and will be used, but it offers no sense of security when you live, work and play near a ticking time bomb. My husband and I moved here in 2013. We finally selected our home within the Carpenters Run neighborhood after looking at more than 100 homes around the Cincinnati area - much to the delight of our exhausted realtor, who also happened to live in the same neighborhood. It's a great place! We moved from what I considered to be a somewhat rural location to "access civilization" where we really enjoy interacting with our neighbors and their growing families. We are close to schools and recreation facilities, many significant and large employers, excellent shopping and restaurants. The area offers many residential options that cater to all ages with award winning schools, parks and recreation facilities all of which are fully supported by an educated and engaged community (as you can tell from the myriad of letters being sent to you). In fact, the area is so popular that a large developer, Al Neyer, recently purchased a much coveted 90 acre parcel of land that contains the last fragments of what was once a regional airport runway with plans to build a large mixed use development designed to attract even more residents and business to our flourishing area. What is disturbing at this juncture is that the newly revised map of the proposed routes for the pipeline seem to traverse the very same property that is supposed to be built out over the next few months/years. It seems as if Duke has no idea what is actually taking place in the area of their proposed routes. This is fundamentally disturbing knowing the gravity construction equipment can have upon pipeline infrastructure. It doesn't exactly instill a level of confidence at any level. Summit Park is in full swing and continues toward final construction but has the potential to fall prey to this hazardous gas line. This park is a huge gathering spot for concerts and recreation not only accessed by our community but has a regional draw. This year, there are plans for three major events that draw in excess of 100,000 people to each event. One such event is the July 4th celebration where Blue Ash boasts one of the largest fireworks display in the U.S. Families come from all over to enjoy the event. Can you imagine what would happen if an explosion occurred along the gas line route during one of these events? The devastation would be unprecedented and unimaginable. Knowing the potential there is for this, siting the gas pipeline anywhere near this area is not only negligent it would be criminal. One can only conclude that Duke is primarily concerned with the economic aspects of this project in that they are choosing the straightest route from point "A" to point "B" with total disregard to those who call it home as well as the additional 40,0000+ people who come here to work on a daily basis. If you want to truly understand the negative financial impact this could and would have, consider the businesses who would likely consider moving their companies and employees out of the area for safety reasons, the impact upon property values that will diminish as a direct result of this pipeline and the potential risk of devastating losses to life and property if a breach would occur. My husband and I live in a cedar home .4 miles away from "ground zero." From what I have seen in the myriad of videos available, our house would go up like tissue paper

under the pressurized blow torch these pipelines become when breached. We have invested significant sums of money updating our home and had plans to continue to do so - but have put all that on hold as we await the outcome of this matter. Anger and disappointment is an understatement of how I feel about this project. We urge you to deny Duke's proposal to site this pipeline through ANY of our neighborhoods as it simply is too dangerous and doesn't belong in or around heavily populated areas. Stop putting profits ahead of safety. Sincerely, Roxanne Brett

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