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Ohio Power Siting Board  
180 East Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Case #16-253-GA-BTX

We oppose Duke Energy's Central Corridor Pipeline Extension Project on all routes. We oppose it in highly populated areas due to safety, environmental and economic concerns.

From our laymen's point of view, these pipelines are extremely dangerous, especially as they age, from explosions and leaks such as San Bruno and the 30" gas pipeline explosion in Pennsylvania. Since accidents do happen on these lines, how can the Board route this pipeline past schools, daycare centers, houses of worship, police and fire departments, businesses, and community centers?

Our environmental concerns relate to the loss of trees, which produce oxygen, and increased problems with rainwater runoff from the loss of trees.

Our economic concerns are the decrease in property values and lower tax revenues in all the communities that would have the pipeline. Even though we do not live in those communities, we understand that this is the first of five pipelines and worry that our beautiful neighborhood would be next.

PLEASE insist that Duke Energy route these pipelines through rural areas, where the loss of life from an explosion would be less.

Sincerely,

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