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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing concerning Duke Energy's proposal to run a huge high-pressure natural gas pipeline through densely populated urban and suburban areas, including near other chemical storage areas in the Cincinnati area. The magnitude of the project and the compressed pressure of this pipeline is unprecedented in populated areas. It is a massive safety hazard, disruptive to the environment, and can result in significant loss to property values, tax revenues and business developments. Significant accidents causing death and destruction have occurred with newer pipelines carrying much less gas and compressed pressure. Hundreds of leakages have occurred throughout the United States, such as West Virginia, San Bruno, CA, Salem Township, PA, and Porter Ranch, CA. These pipelines belong in rural, unpopulated areas. It is irresponsible for Duke to propose such a plan and it is irresponsible to approve such a plan. The Ohio Power Siting Board needs to consider Ohioan's quality of life and actual need for this quantity of gas, not merely utility company's business objectives.

(OPSB cas #16-0253-GA-BTX)

Sincerely,

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