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To the Ohio Power Siting Board:

I am writing on behalf of my family our strong opposition to the proposed Natural Gas Pipeline to go through many northern Cincinnati neighborhoods including Pleasant Ridge, where we live. This pipeline is an environmental hazard that Duke wants to nestle into quiet neighborhoods among where large amounts of people live and work and children play. The potential hazard from this pipeline would destroy entire communities. We chose this neighborhood where we could walk our children to school, support local small businesses, be close to many employment opportunities, and play among many parks. One of these proposed routes means every day we would walk our children over this pipeline in order to get to school. We would then drive over it on my way to work. We would again walk over it when going to the park. We would pass over it on Sundays on our way to church. We would walk over it when we walked to breakfast on Saturday mornings. In other words, this pipeline, and its potential for hazard becomes part of our every day life. This is not ok.

I would strongly urge you to reject this proposal knowing that Duke is putting so many citizens at risk. I would urge you to consider their poor environmental track record, and the lack of oversight they would have to ensure the safety of this pipeline. I would urge you to look at recent past incidents involving these pipelines and ask yourselves if you want to be responsible for putting so many lives at risk.

This pipeline does not belong in largely populated areas.

Please reject this proposal.

Thank you,

Amy, Ben, Alice and Levi Gardner

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