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Hello,

I am writing to express my opposition to Duke's proposal to build a massive high pressure pipeline through my neighborhood and other densely populated areas in Ohio.

This type of pipeline is normally built in less populated rural areas to minimize casualties in the event of an explosion. In its coverage of the fatal explosion of a Pennsylvania pipeline similar to the one that Duke plans to run through Cincinnati, the Westmoreland Tribune reported that "gas companies reported 35 explosions and 32 ignitions at their transmission pipelines since 2010, according to federal records. During that same time period, 17 people died and 86 were injured in incidents involving the pipelines, including a September 2010 explosion in San Bruno, Calif., that killed eight and injured 51. In all, gas companies estimate incidents involving transmission pipelines have caused nearly \$1 billion in damage since 2010."

It makes no sense to run a pipeline of this type through densely populated areas where an accidental explosion would kill or maim thousands. If this pipeline is necessary to keep Ohio looking at future energy needs, it should be run through rural areas where an accident would do much less damage to people, to structures like homes, schools, and hospitals, and to the vast infrastructure of cities. The potential for devastating much of a city is just too great an unnecessary risk.

Please step up and demand that high pressure gas transmission lines be run away from densely populated areas. Please say NO to the Central Corridor Gas Pipeline Extension Project.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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