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RE: Case 16-0253-GA-BTX; Duke Energy Central Corridor Gas Pipeline.

Dear Members of the Siting Board:

Please deny Duke Energy's request that the OPSB waive the requirements to hold another public meeting on the routes proposed in their filing on Sept. 13, 2016 and to send letters of information to all affected homeowners along the routes.

The public deserves to be heard and the people that this affects deserve to be given opportunity to express their opinion on this change. The public is due transparency and information on this amended project.

Duke's request to avoid these requirements, and thus transparency and information sharing, is inexcusable. What still remains is a high pressure transmission line running through a populated area.

Again, does Duke realize the liability they are taking on? Duke can greatly reduce liability by moving the transmission pipeline to a lesser populated area; thereby significantly reducing the risk of losing many lives.

Is there no sense of responsibility by this utility? Is the OPSB also willing to share this liability?

  
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