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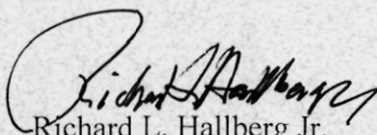
Subject: PUCO Case # 16-0253-GA-BTX Duke Central Corridor Extension Gas Pipeline

I have recently been made aware of Duke Energy's plans to construct a new pipeline that will run across my property at 8855 Blue Ash Road, Cincinnati, Ohio. As proposed, the 50' wide construction easement will take out almost all of my front parking lot and loading dock for at least three weeks. I, as well as other business' and local home owners are totally opposed to this plan.

There are several reasons for our opposition to this new pipeline. First of all the pipeline represents a definite safety risk! If the pipeline were to be damaged in any way it could well blow up my office/warehouse as well as other surrounding buildings. Just as important is the fact that this project would put my company totally out of business! The construction would take away the ability of trucks to come to our loading dock to deliver and receive products on a daily basis. We have between 5 and 8 tractor/trailers everyday at our load dock picking up and delivering merchandise. We operate as a fulfillment center for several automobile manufactures on a just-in-time basis. We must ship product to their dealers within 24 hours after receipt of the order; otherwise we are severally penalized financially and ultimately would lose the contract with the customer. Our company would definitely go out of business if we are unable to ship product for three days not to mention 3 weeks.

It is my sincere hope that PUCO will not let this happen to a company that has been in business since 1971. I urgently ask you to do everything in your power to stop this project.

Best Regards,


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