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Subject: Please do not allow the placement of the pipeline through residential neighborhoods

Dear Ohio Power Sitting Board,

As a citizen of the City of Blue Ash in Ohio, I am vehemently opposed to the placement of the Duke Pipeline through residential, medical and dense commercial areas. This is a major safety issue particularly when it crosses near schools, houses of worship, hospitals and high traffic commercial areas. I have been to the meetings and have yet to hear justification as to why this pipeline needs to be placed where there are so many people. In addition, the safety issues have not been fully addressed. In the event of an emergency, Jewish Hospital of the Mercy system would be affected, unable to help the injured.

How will your board feel, should there be even a minor tragedy that takes life, because Duke placed this pipe in such a highly dense area? How short-sighted will you feel?

Duke is a major force in energy, they have plenty of funds to re-figure the placement into areas where there are less people, less chance of error and a safer distance from areas that are filled with children, families, the elderly. Let's put the onus back on Duke to study alternate locations so that even the slightest chance that a tragedy might occur, the least number of lives would be taken.

In my heart, I know the board will make a decision that is in the best interest of the citizens of Ohio and not the pocketbooks of Duke.

Thank you,
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