From: Ohio Power Siting Board

To: <u>Puco Docketing</u>

Subject: public comment 16-0253 [ref:_00Dt0GzXt._500t0FMBny:ref]

Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 9:54:59 AM

Dear Ohio Power Siting Board,

I'm writing to you regarding my opposition to Duke's Central Corridor Extension Gas Pipeline.

This proposed natural gas pipeline far exceeds what's necessary to supply greater Cincinnati and Hamilton County. Duke already has viable ways to serve the area's energy needs, and the area's population is declining with stagnant projections for natural gas use. Even Duke's own model for how much gas we need is excessive according to third-party analysis.

If approved, Duke will require up to 80 feet be cleared to build their pipeline. Many mature trees would be destroyed, not to mention the damage to folk's yards. Mature trees help clean the air, and provide habitat for many creatures. If the construction isn't bad enough, then Duke requires 30 feet of permanent clearance. Duke will not allow trees to be replanted within those 30 feet. Our area will be permanently scarred.

This pipeline might great for Duke, but not for its customers who will be paying for it. We already pay the highest rates in the state for natural gas. Also, the construction process will disrupt local businesses and may affect home values. The local municipalities may even have to increase spending to prepare their police and fire departments for a pipeline emergency.

The proposed natural gas is 500 psi! Duke would like to run it through densely populated areas. This pipeline, if approved, will go through folk's yards and near schools, daycares, places of worship, gas stations, businesses, a Super Fund site (green route), Jewish Hospital (orange route), and Kenwood Towne Centre (orange route). In the event of a gas line breach, Duke has asked citizens to refrain from using the normal modes of communication. Use of those modes of communication could create a spark which would ignition the natural gas. Accidents do happen, think about all the lives endangered by Duke's unprecedented high-pressure pipeline in a densely populated area.

Please do approve Duke's Central Corridor Extension Gas Pipeline.

Sincerely,

Patricia Kreitinger

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I am writing to strongly oppose this pipeline. It is unsafe. I can not believe that this is even being proposed. As big business seems to be the only concern perhaps you will consider the many businesses that would be affected by this pipeline. Since there has been no concern about the people, families, and communities affected nor the lives impacted by this perhaps you will think of the revenue lost. Since lives lost seem to make no difference in considering this project think if all the money that will be lost. I do not understand none if you would want this put your neighborhood so why even consider putting this in our neighborhood? Please consider the people!!!

Bess Sturgill

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