From: Riley, Drake
To: Puco Docketing

Subject: Customer Comment - Marysville Connector - 19-2148

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Description: Dear Chairman Randazzo,

We are writing today to indicate the support of the Logan County Board of Commissioners for Columbia Gas of Ohio's Marysville Connector Pipeline Project, Case Number: 19-2148 (the "Marysville Connector").

Logan and Union County have deeply connected economies thanks to presence of Honda investing along our shared county line. Though the Marysville Connector does not directly bring additional natural gas capacity to Logan County we view it as an important and significant first step to improving our regional economy and improving our county's proximity to more abundant natural gas. Therefore, on behalf of Logan County, we respectfully request that the Ohio Power Siting Board move quickly to approve the Marysville Connector.

We also request that the Power Siting Board continue to work toward long-term solutions to meet additional natural gas demand northwest of Marysville along the US-33 Corridor extending into Eastern Logan County. This area has seen significant organic growth and business attraction in recent years as the home of Honda, The Transportation Research Center (TRC), and a growing cluster of automotive suppliers. In Eastern Logan County since 2013, five projects alone have generated nearly 400 new jobs, \$13 million in new payroll, and \$50 million of fixed asset investment (predominately new building construction). Beyond these projects, Honda and TRC have continued to expand and invest hundreds of millions of dollars in their Logan County operations.

With over 600 acres of prime developable sites in Eastern Logan County, our community is proactively investing in new wastewater infrastructure to accommodate expected additional growth in the area. We look forward to continued investments in increased natural gas capacity that will support this growth as well.

We thank the Ohio Power Siting Board and the PUCO for your consideration in this very important matter and for your leadership in helping Logan County gain long-term access to natural gas. With your help we look forward to much additional growth in Eastern Logan County.

Sincerely,

The Logan County Board of Commissioners Joe Antram, John Bayliss, Paul Benedetti This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities

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