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November 12, 2020

Ms. Tanowa M. Troupe, Secretary Ohio Power Siting Board Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor Columbus, OH 43215-3716

Re: OPSB Case No. 20-1411-GA-BTX / In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of the Bethel-Batavia Pipeline

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4906-3-03(B)(2), Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy Ohio or Company), files this notice of compliance. Duke Energy Ohio sent letters to all property owners and affected tenants that were along the proposed routes, contiguous to the preferred and alternate routes, and who may be approached for any additional easements necessary for construction, operation, or maintenance of the facility. A copy of the letter and map sent to property owners is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jeanne W. Kingery

Jeanne W. Kingery Associate General Counsel



Oct. 2, 2020

Invitation to attend virtual open house about Duke Energy's Bethel-Batavia Pipeline project in your area

Dear Neighbor:

We would like to invite you to a virtual open house to learn more about our proposed natural gas pipeline project to support growth in our service territory, provide available and affordable natural gas supply, and boost economic development in Clermont County.

Natural gas has been available in the Cincinnati area since 1837, when our predecessor company, Cincinnati Gas Light and Coke Company, went into business to illuminate the downtown streets. We remain committed to our obligation to provide safe, reliable natural gas service and are continually planning for our energy future. This planned pipeline will ensure natural gas reliability in Clermont County for decades to come.

The Bethel-Batavia Pipeline will be a 12-inch steel natural gas line that will run underground from Bethel to the Batavia areas. There are two proposed routes as shown on the attached map. Only one route will be constructed upon project approval. We're expecting construction on this 13- to 15-mile pipeline to start in late 2022 and be complete in late 2023 with final restoration occurring in spring 2024.

Upcoming Live Virtual Open Houses Offered on Two Dates

Oct. 27 and Oct. 29, 2020
6 to 8 p.m.
Microsoft Teams Online Meeting
Register to attend online at: www.duke-energy.com/BBPipeline

Due to COVID-19 and social distancing measures, the open houses will be held as virtual online events. You must pre-register online to receive an access code to "join" the virtual open house at the designated time. A live presentation by the project manager will be given at 6 p.m. and repeated at 7 p.m. The live presentations will be followed by options to speak with our project representatives and visit virtual information booths focused on the route selection process, easements, construction, safety and more.

In the meantime, we have an interactive map function on our project webpage that allows you to search your property address to see where it is located relative to the proposed route options. We've also included a virtual open house module on our project website if you are unable to participate in the live format in late October.

The Bethel-Batavia Pipeline will require an application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need from the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) in Columbus, Ohio.



The project is currently in the conceptual design phase. As the design is further refined, and as we progress through the OPSB application process, we'll better know if your property may be affected. If the OPSB certificate for the project is granted, and if your property will be affected by the approved route, we'll arrange a time to meet with you individually.

If you have additional questions, please contact us by phone at 513.287.2130 or by email at BBPipeline@duke-energy.com, or visit the project website at duke-energy.com/BBPipeline.

You may also request notification of the OPSB public hearing schedule, as well as the filing of other documents in the case, by signing up with the OPSB for electronic notice of filings or by sending a letter to the OPSB to indicate your interest. The OPSB can be reached at:

The Ohio Power Siting Board 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215 Website: opsb.ohio.gov

Email: contactOPSB@puco.ohio.gov

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Thank you for working with us as we move forward with this important project.

Sincerely,

Brad Seiter Duke Energy

BB Pipeline Project Manager

Enclosure: Proposed Route Maps

