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14-1754-GA-BLN

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From: Puco ContactOPSB
Sent: Wednesday, December 17, 2014 2:23 PM
To: 'begerrard@roadrunner.com'
Subject: RE: Oregon Lateral Pipeline

Mr. Gerrard,

Thank you for contacting the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) with your concerns regarding North Coast Gas Transmission's proposed Oregon Lateral Pipeline. Your comments will be filed in the record for case number 14-1754-GA-BLN for the Board and its technical staff to review.

Currently, the Board's staff is investigating North Coast's proposal and plans to issue a Staff Report of Investigation later this month. The staff report will include a summary of potential impacts, including impacts to agricultural drainage, wetlands, and waterways, and recommend a list of conditions for construction. With regard to operating pressure and pipeline safety, the burden is upon the pipeline operator to meet the requirements of federal pipeline safety regulations.

While I cannot speculate on the likelihood of future utility projects on or near your property, I can tell you that major facilities as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 4906.01 would be subject to OPSB jurisdiction.

If you have not already done so, I would also encourage you to contact North Coast Pipeline with specific concerns about how the route, as proposed, crosses your property. The point of contact there is Michael Calderone at (614) 505-7418 or mcalderone@somersetgas.com.

We appreciate your input and participation in the siting process. Please do not hesitate to contact me with additional questions.

Sincerely,

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From: Brent [<mailto:begerrard@roadrunner.com>]
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Thank you for the opportunity to voice my concerns regarding the proposed natural gas pipeline going through my property.

I want to give you a little background on our situation. We purchased the property in 2003 with a plan to build our dream house. After of years of saving we finally realized our dream and we moved into our house in 2011. The house sits on 5.48 acres with the property dimensions of 178.42'w x 1338'L. The house and the pond sits on the front 3.43 acres of the property using up the front 838ft in depth. We have not been able to develop the rear of the property yet, because we sunk all of our money into the house and we have only lived here 3 years. Our plan in the future is to build some kind of pole barn on the back part of the property.

Here are my major concerns for the pipeline.

- 1) The pipeline will go through my back yard 375ft from the rear of my property. This will basically render 2.05 acres of my property useless. I will never be able to put up a pole barn. It will limit the clientele that would be interested in purchasing the property if I ever wanted to sell. It will lower my property values.
- 2) When I built the house the Wood County Health Department said that I need to have a replacement leach field area. With the placement of my house, driveway, and pond, it was determined that the replacement leach field would need to be constructed in the rear of my property. If the pipeline goes through, where can I put a replacement leach field? Who pays for the extra cost?
- 3) Drainage is a major problem on Neiderhouse rd. What is going to happen to all the drainage tiles they cut through in the farm fields? I count 3 creeks that they are going through surrounding Neiderhouse rd. They overflow when we get heavy rain. How is it going to affect the flow of these creeks? Is this going to create a damn?
- 4) I don't feel comfortable with 24" forced natural gas pipeline 500 feet from my house. I have a wife and 2 kids. They say that the pipeline "will typically operate at approximately 33% of the minimum design pressure" what happens when the pipeline and power plant are operating at full capacity, which we know it will in the future. It won't be operating at 33% design pressure anymore.
- 5) Once they get the easement, what else are they going to run through. How many more pipes or transmission lines.

I feel there has to be a better route that this pipeline can follow. I'm sure that there are other options but the cost is probably higher. Why should the property owners suffer and pay a higher cost, losing the use of their land and future plans. The company that wants the pipeline should have that burden.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Brent Gerrard
Homeowner Neiderhouse Rd