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From: Rabbi Yisroel Mangel, Exective Director, Chabad Jewish Center

As a long time resident of Blue Ash living on Benchmark Lane, and as the rabbi and director of the Chabad Jewish Center on Hunt Road, I am concerned about many aspects of Duke Energy's proposed Pink Route for the Central Corridor Pipeline.

This project and the proposed routes have come together in a very short time and seemingly have not been given due process, proper chances for concerned citizens to receive full disclosure, review and respond, by either Duke Energy or the city of Blue Ash. This is an unprecedented proposal, to run such a pipeline along residential property. Such pipelines are full of potential danger, and have a record of accidents, including 2010 in San Bruno, California, and recently in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Our synagogue is attended by a population ranging from infants, toddlers and children to teens, adults and seniors. We cannot risk having them exposed to explosions, environmental dangers, and the particular and significant risk that a Jewish institution abutting a gas pipeline would present. In today's day and age, terror elements could very possibly relish the opportunity for havoc and destruction that this would provide.

In addition, the noise, debris, interruption of traffic flow, and blighted landscape would impact access to our center as well as the children who play outdoors during religious school and services, both during construction and very possibly thereafter. Many members of our congregation walk to the center on the Sabbath and holidays as part of our religious practice, and the construction may make that walk more hazardous as well.

I appreciate your attention to these important concerns as well as those expressed by other citizens and concerned parties.

Sincerely,

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