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The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio,  
180 East Broad Street,  
Columbus, Ohio, 43215

Subject: 16-0253-GA-BTX - Duke Pipeline

Dear Commissioners,

Last month my husband and I moved to a beautiful 1939 Tudor Revival home in the Pleasant Ridge neighborhood of Cincinnati. After living in several neighborhoods in the metropolitan area and most recently outside the area, we decided that we wanted to be part of a vibrant, diverse urban community and chose Pleasant Ridge. You can not imagine my horror when I learned that Duke Energy was proposing a huge, high pressure, natural gas pipeline with a route... LESS THAN 500 FEET... from my home!!! I was flabbergasted! At first I didn't believe it was possible. When I verified, learned what was happening, I was sickened.

I have no doubt that Duke Energy intends this to be a safe means of moving gas to potential customers. However, as we've experienced, intentions just don't make it so. There have been leaks and explosions in natural gas pipelines and it will continue to happen. By calculations I've found from reputable sources, without exaggeration, if an explosion occurred on the proposed line, my home could be within the blast range, instantly obliterated. I refuse to believe that the risk is worth the benefit. The potential for destruction is far to great for this to be built in my neighborhood, or any other populated area. Please do not approve this project!

Sincerely yours,

  
Deborah Edgington

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