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Subject: Comment for case 19-1641-EL-BGN - OSU West Campus Fracked Gas Plant
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Hello,

Please let this serve as my opposition to the proposed fracked gas plant on the West Campus of The Ohio State University. I am a graduate student who works on West Campus, and I do not believe that the addition of this power plant is in the interest of my fellow students and colleagues. OSU should be a leader in the change to clean, sustainable energy that does not threaten local soils and water. OSU is a major scientific university that claims to strongly support environmental initiatives, an ideology supported by the majority of the student and professional body, and the university leadership should act to pursue these ideals and community expectations. Further, while green energy requires a larger investment in the short and perhaps medium-terms, its cost-efficiency is known to strengthen with added investment over time, whereas drilling and fracking requires higher costs for fewer outputs with longer use. I encourage OSU and the Ohio Power Siting Board to more strongly consider energy investment that is sustainable in the long-term and upholds OSU's environmental commitments.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

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To whom it may concern,

I am a nurse at OSU, and also very interested in environmentalism. I would really be interested in learning how it could possibly make financial sense to allow a gas plant on campus when the governor is claiming renewable-sourced energies by 2022. That timeline doesn't add up. Personally I have seen Ohio natural areas impacted by the gas industry, and I'm not sure why we are still heading in this direction after all the information out there on greenhouse gas emissions- we know there is a better way so why aren't we being smart about this and getting ahead of the changes? (Although we're already behind).

I love to hike, but the last several Ohio hikes I've attempted were essentially ruined by the gas and oil industries influence (fracking in Wayne Forest, near Archer's Fork, and most recently a gas compression plant by Rhododendron Cove). Rather than smelling fresh trees and nature, I was smelling gas fumes. I can't imagine having more of this brought to central Ohio, and especially right on campus. Why are we doing this to ourselves when we are aware of renewable energy systems? We're only hurting ourselves.

Thank you for listening,
Kimberly Ranly

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