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I want to highlight my deep concerns about the proposed gas plant to be built within the premises of Ohio State. The health and environmental impact submitted by the organization responsible fails to account for the most critical issue in terms of emissions when it comes to fracked natural gas: methane emissions at the time (and after the time) of extraction. Estimates from numerous sources have found that methane emission levels from fracked (both from active and orphan wells) are at an all-time high, severely undermining the argument of considering natural gas as a "clean" or "transitional" energy source. The plan is inconsistent with the University's sustainability plan, and the University should use this opportunity to develop solar and wind energy in the vast properties it owns.

Secondly, the fact that the reports marks as "negligible" the impact of the development in terms of on-ground emissions and noise seems hard to believe, especially given the proximity of the proposed plant to the Martha Morehouse Hospital, and the OSU Veterinary Hospital. I bring up these two facilities only to highlight the two most vulnerable populations. However, several academic buildings surround the plant, and I, as a graduate student who must spend time in the premises, am deeply concerned for my own health and well-being during the proposed time of construction and posterior continuous operation of this highly-contaminating facility. For these reasons, Ohio State should suspend this plant and redirect its efforts towards a true sustainable energy matrix, based on zero-emission sources.

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