VILLAGE OF EVENDALE, OHIO RESOLUTION #16-01

RESOLUTION OPPOSING DUKE ENERGY'S PROPOSED CENTRAL CORRIDOR PIPELINE EXTENSION PROJECT

WHEREAS,

In February 2016, Duke Energy issued a letter to several Evendale residents informing them of a proposed underground gas pipeline project known as the Central Corridor Pipeline Extension Project (The Project); and

WHEREAS.

Duke conceives three (3) proposed routes, one which, the "Green Route", enters Evendale at the intersection of Glendale-Milford Rd. and Plainfield Rd. The green route travels westbound along Glendale-Milford Rd., through residential yards and turns southbound at the railroad tracks immediately west of S. Reading Rd. The route then travels alongside the tracks between GE Aviation, Formica, Kinetic Vision and other commercial/industrial property. The route exits Evendale at the jurisdictional border with the City of Reading. The two other proposed routes, the "Pink" and "Orange" routes, travel southbound from the Project's starting point in Sycamore Township and run through the Cities of Blue Ash, Cincinnati, the Village of Amberley and other Hamilton County municipalities, and;

WHEREAS.

Duke plans to submit a project application to the Ohio Power Siting Board (OPSB) in the near future seeking approval to construct one of the proposed routes.

WHEREAS,

The OPSB is the State of Ohio agency with the authority to receive applications, conduct inspections and hold public hearings to determine the viability of route options. The OSPB has the final authority to select a route and grant permission to Duke to construct it.

WHEREAS,

Village officials have attended a Duke Open House and engaged both Duke and the OPSB in several conversations regarding the proposed Project.

WHEREAS,

On April 10, 2016, the Village of Evendale submitted a Letter of Opposition to the OPSB based on information known about the Project at that time. The OPSB certified receipt of the Letter on April 14, 2016.

WHEREAS,

Evendale public officials have received several questions and concerns from residents and the business community, many of which oppose to the Project due to safety concerns, perceived property devaluation and other negative impacts on the community at large. The proposed 30" distribution line is larger than and unlike any other gas line currently in Hamilton County. Installation of the green route and the subsequent permanent easement would result in the removal of many mature trees along Glendale-Milford Rd. and would render front yards substantially undevelopable.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Council of the Village of Evendale, Hamilton County, Ohio, six members concurring, that:

SECTION I The Mayor and Council of the Village of Evendale hereby expressly

oppose Duke Energy's Central Corridor Pipeline Extension Project as it will, in all likelihood, result in irreparable harm to public and private property and create a potential long-term safety hazard due to the unprecedented scope and scale of the project.

SECTION II

The Village of Evendale strongly encourages Duke Energy and the OPSB to consider route options, other than the 3 proposed, that have less impact on the community at large.

SECTION III

The Village of Evendale respectfully requests written answers or comments from Duke and/or the OPSB to all the questions and concerns noted in Evendale's April $10^{\rm th}$ Letter of Opposition.

Approved June 14th, 2016

Mayor, Village of Evendale

Village Clerk

Attest:

Approved as to Form:

Village Solicitor

