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From: Amber Autwell <elijah8308@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 4:09 PM
To: Statements
Subject: docket EMP-92 SUB o NTE Power plant

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Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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From: Tim Anderson <tanderson799@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 3:23 PM
To: Statements
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I do not want this plant in my community....thank you Tim Anderson Bethany community

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From: Ginger Mitchell <gigi97386@gmail.com>
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WE DO NOT WANT THIS!!!! PLEASE FIND ANOTHER COUNTY TO DESTROY

Linda McCollum
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Marus Marble & Tile Co.,Inc.

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Morris, Paige

From: Angela Hudgins <angelahudgins78@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 3:17 PM
To: Statements
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Good afternoon.

I am a resident and homeowner in Rockingham County, close to the Bethany area. I am opposed to the NTE Power Plant being built in/near our community.

I am also disappointed in our County Commissioners for pledging millions of our tax dollars and/or other monies provided to our county for growth to an unneeded and unwanted power plant.

Thank you!

Angela Hudgins

Morris, Paige

From: Cindy Tuttle <cindyt@centurylink.net>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 3:11 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Docket EMP-92 Sub NTE proposed gas power plant in Reidsville

We would like to voice our opposition to the proposed Bethany Power Plant. We have a home directly on the Dan River and have fished and kayaked on the river all our lives. We do NOT want to see such a valuable and important part of our community changed or damaged. This power plant is not needed in our community and will not benefit the citizens.

Please do not allow this plant to be built.

Lindsey and Cindy Tuttle

Sent from my iPad

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From: Daniah Swaim <daniah.swaim@hotmail.com>
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Thanks!

Daniah Swaim

Morris, Paige

From: Polly <kpjones03@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 3:10 PM
To: Statements
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To the North Carolina Utility Commission:

I am a Rockingham County resident and I DO NOT WANT the proposed NTE power plant in the Bethany community!!!

Rockingham county has suffered enough economically, and we are just starting to turn it around. This could devastate any attempts for growth permanently.

We are also a county attempting to make positive changes to our water and and nature access, and preserve our wildlife, especially the federally endangered species that live here. The effects of this power plant could be disastrous.

And personally, I do not want my children, who love being outdoors and spend many hours playing in wooded areas, streams, and rivers, being exposed to more toxins in the dirt, water, and air that EVERYONE breathes.

And for what? There is no need for this new plant here!

We already have plants here that don't operate at full capacity, plus several solar plant plans in the works.

We do not have a need for more power. This plant is not in the best interest of the community. It will only hurt our residents, including our children, and the wildlife that depend on us to protect them.

Please, PLEASE make a wise decision for US, and not for your pocketbook. This is OUR tax money and we DON'T WANT IT. Please stop it. Help us. We need you to be our voice.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Polly Jones

Morris, Paige

From: sldalton37@netzero.net
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 3:07 PM
To: Statements
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I opposed to the plant being build in Rockingham County in the Bethany area. We do not need or want this plant.

The Root Of All Stomach Problems - Avoid These 3 Foods

Gut Health Research

<http://thirdpartyoffers.netzero.net/TGL3232/585ae1475121961470b04st04duc>



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From: Jon <jon@jonknight.net>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 2:52 PM
To: Statements
Subject: docket EMP-92 SUB 0 NTE Power plant

Raised in Bethany and do NOT think the power plant is a good idea.
Matter of fact, it is overall a BAD IDEA. I AM OPPOSED.

Jon Knight

Morris, Paige

From: Lyn Carlisle <lscarlisle@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 1:48 PM
To: Statements
Subject: Docket EMP-92 Sub NTE proposed gas power plant in Reidsville

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing as a property owner in the area where the NTE gas power plant in Reidsville has been proposed. While my address is Madison, I live near the Dan River where the pipeline for water will run.

Here are some reasons my husband and I do NOT support this NTE plant in the Bethany area of Rockingham County:

- This plant is not needed *or wanted* in our county
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- We have no data to show the repercussions of removing an average of 3 *million gallons* of water per day from the Dan River. (Data I have researched shows anywhere from 1.5 to 5 million gallons will be removed! The impact on the river has to be significant, as only 500,000 gallons of treated water will be returned.)
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- NTE has no plants in operation so there is NO TRACK RECORD for success or follow-through with a community.
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- The pipeline to and from the Dan River is to be paid for with taxpayer money and will go through the area in which I live near Planters Road! I am worried about my property value. There are already noise and emissions issues from the other two plants in the Bethany community. Please don't add a third.
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- If there is a drought when this water is needed, the Belews Creek Steam Station will already be withdrawing large amounts of water from the river.
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- What is the environmental impact of the 500,000 gallons of water being returned to the river after chlorination and heating? We do not know how this will affect the ecosystem of the Dan River downstream---and it has already been harmed by the Coal Ash.
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- Again, we already have Dan River and the Duke Energy power plants at the same location in Bethany---and area residents there already complain about the noise and vibrations from the plants
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- This plant will be using fracked gas. The problems with fracking are well known and accepted, and using this gas promotes fracking.
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- **NTE has not proven the need for this power plant.**

As a neighbor of mine said, this plant has the potential to become no more than a burden to the public, the county government, and even to its investors.

Again, I am writing because, as a member of this county and the area the NTE plant will directly affect, **I am AGAINST the proposed NTE power plant in Reidsville.** If we need a handful of jobs this badly, we need to embrace renewable energy that will create *permanent* jobs---not a plant that drains natural resources, causes a burden for its community, and encourages fracking.

Sincerely,
Lyn Carlisle
Madison

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From: Jeremy Warren <jwarren.newgarden@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2016 12:08 PM
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I am also concerned for all of my neighbors who will be living in close proximity to the station. The toxicity of the gasses given off by these types of plants are well documented. They are toxic to not only people but livestock and crops. The population in the area is too dense, and there are too many other potential damages to the citizens of our community for this to make any sense.

So in closing, we stand at a "fork in the road" to decide how to benefit our community the most; and this isn't it. When we OVERBUILD, provide FEW JOBS, wreck our greatest natural resource in the area, and poison our citizens and their crops/livestock; we are doing nothing to improve our community and make it into a place where people want to live, travel to, or spend money. Please, listen to these very real concerns and help us keep our community healthy, vibrant and growing. Lets divert these resources to much needed programs that will better our community for the long term. Thank you. Sincerely, Jeremy Clifton Warren

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From: jwarren@newgarden.com
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So in closing, we stand at a "fork in the road" to decide how to benefit our community the most; and this isn't it. When we OVERBUILD, provide FEW JOBS, wreck our greatest natural resource in the area, and poison our citizens and their crops/livestock; we are doing nothing to improve our community and make it into a place where people want to live, travel to, or spend money. Please, listen to these very real concerns and help us keep our community healthy, vibrant and growing. Let's divert these resources to much needed programs that will better our community for the long term. Thank you. Sincerely, Jeremy Clifton Warren

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