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I am opposed to allowing Duke Energy to merge with Piedmont Natural Gas as I don't think this will be best for consumers.

As chair of the NC Utilities Commission (not the Duke Energy Utilities Commission), your duty is to the public (our taxes pay your salaries) and not to Duke Energy and its shareholders.

Do the right thing!

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Please do what is right for the public
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With our government leaders in the pockets of Duke Energy we don't stand a chance of having reasonable rates on our utilities. There does not need to be a merger between Duke and Piedmont Gas in order for them to have a monopoly on these services and total control over our rates. I urge our leaders to deny this merge.

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Dear Chairman Finley

I am writing to request further research by NCUC prior to approving the \$6 billion merger between Duke Energy and Piedmont Natural Gas.

As a Public Utility, we request you act on behalf of the public rather than being swayed by Duke Energy. Please do due diligence in allowing and hearing testimonies by two natural gas experts recommended by NC Warn prior to making your decision on the merger. We need what's best for the future of NC!

Thank you for your time.

Judy Harrelson
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It's time the Utilities Commission worked for the people of NC rather than Duke Energy. Please disapprove the merger of PNG & DE!

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Dear Mr. Finley,

You may have seen the opinion piece in today's News and Observer. I don't know the writer, but was pleasantly surprised to see someone standing up for what is right. I would encourage you and the public staff to do the same. Your job is to protect the public interest, not Duke Energy's interests.

Duke Energy's worrisome move to silence nonprofits <http://www.newsobserver.com/opinion/op-ed/article88035607.html>

Sincerely,

Mary DeCoster

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Sir:

Please respect the health and safety of your fellow constituents, not corporate profit for Duke Energy. I am one of many who feel desperate about our future here in North Carolina. The pursuit of the PNG merger, with increasing awareness of the dangers of methane, and with great uncertainty about future costs seems reckless.

Please let the normal process go forward. Will you live to regret decisions which are now being made on your watch?

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To Whom It May Concern:

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I'm tired of Duke Energy having more clout because of the backdoor setting of new rate hikes.

I'm tired of Duke Energy's stance on fracking which doesn't take into account the air and water it fouls.

I'm tired of Duke Energy's putting customers dead last where their health is concerned.

I'm tired of Duke Energy's connection with the governor and General Assembly of North Carolina.

Experts keep telling Duke Energy, and their entire network, of the harm they are doing to the environment. Warnings seem to fall on deaf ears. What are you guys waiting for? The pollution of the air and water to strangle the very customers Duke Energy ***claims*** to help.

When did the almighty dollar outweigh the rights of the people? Is that what a "utility" does? Slap down opposition, even by using new regulations and laws? Sounds to me like a "for profit" organization.

It's time to listen to the people! It's time to come to your senses!!

Peggy Cornwallis

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The people of North Carolina pay your salaries and those of the Public Staff. You must represent our best interests, not those of Duke Energy. The Duke-Piedmont merger requires public debate and no back-room deals.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Lewise Busch

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Chair Ed Finley;

I know that you want the regulators and Public Staff to do the right thing for the citizens of North Carolina so please do not approve the merger that Duke Energy wants with Piedmont Natural Gas. Most people know that the methane that gets released when mining for natural gas is extremely dangerous to humans and the quality of the air. The air, water and gas elements have no boundaries and will go every where. You wouldn't want your kids and family to die from bad air, would you? Fracking for more gas is definitely very dangerous! I believe that you know that this merger is wrong.

I hope you have listened,
Helen Cleereman
Garner, NC

Don't just do what is right for the world, do what is best for the world.

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Although Duke Energy is the largest utility in the US, your job as the NC Utilities Commission is to work on behalf of the consumer, not the corporation. The \$6 billion merger with Piedmont Natural Gas is too large and important to NOT hear from experts who can present evidence on fracking that doesn't comply with Duke Energy's rush to consolidate. Fracking is not a zero-sum energy source. It may burn cleaner, but the extraction and processing are as dirty as coal, with public health and long-term environmental degradation. Add to that the consequences for global warming with methane release from flaring (which is visible across the US night sky by satellite) and you have more reliance on dirty-fuel to power our electricity generation that will be used if this merger is granted.

This case should not be predetermined because Duke is the most powerful utility in North Carolina. This is not a small issue, and evidence keeps mounting about real costs of fracking. Just asking you to not "fast-track" this issue and assume Duke is right.

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