<u>"First Such Animal That We Have Created"</u> PECO PLANS EXPERIMENTAL NATURAL GAS EXPANSION PLANT IN MARPLE TOWNSHIP



What's Going On?

- PECO requested a special exception permit to build a Natural Gas Expansion Plant to modify gas
 pressures using six industrial heaters with constantly running 15' high smokestacks surrounded by an 8'
 wall (example above provided by PECO) surrounded by businesses, residences, and an elementary school
 at Sproul and Cedar Grove Roads in Marple Township.
- PECO has publicly stated that they do not have any other plants like this and referred to this as the "first such animal" of its kind on public meetings.
- Marple Twp. Zoning unanimously **voted to DENY** the Special Exception PECO needs to build this plant citing the industrial facility does not conform to zoning ordinances adopted to protect the health, safety and welfare of Marple residents and businesses, particularly around noxious odors, safety and noise.
- PECO is now attempting to overturn the Marple Zoning decision in the <u>Delaware County Court of</u> <u>Common Pleas Case Number CV-2020-008477</u> and by filing for official proceedings with the <u>Pennsylvania</u> <u>Public Utility Commission</u> <u>Docket Number P-2021-3024328</u> to allow its plant to be built, draining the township and this public utility of time, legal fees, and resources.
- Hearings to be scheduled on April 21, 2021 (Protests and Interventions can be entered until 4/12/2021)
- We support Marple Township Zoning in denying PECO the Special Exception to build this facility.

What Can I Do If I Don't Want An Experimental, Hazardous, Noisy Gas Plant Here?

Write emails/letters and call elected officials letting them know you are against this plant

- Templates and elected official contact info available on <u>www.MarpleSafe.com</u> <u>http://www.marplesafe.com/government-template.html</u> <u>http://www.marplesafe.com/peco-template.html</u>
- Please copy <u>MarpleSafe@gmail.com</u>

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PECO Proposed Gas Plant Timeline

PECO Applies for Special Exception to build Natural Gas Plant in Marple, PA •October 21, 2020 PECO applied to the Marple Township Zoning Hearing Board for a **Special Exception**, which is required in the "N" Neighborhood Center Zoning District.

Marple Denies PECO Special Exception •November 18, 2020 PECO's request for a Special Exception needed to build their site was **DENIED** by the Marple Zoning Hearing Board citing concerns about noxious odors, safety, and noise that would be produced by this facility surrounded by businesses and residences.

PECO Tries to Overrule Marple's in DelCo Court of Common Pleas •December 18, 2020 PECO filed suit against the Marple Zoning Hearing Board in the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas to have the township's denial overturned.

PECO Tries to Overrule Marple in Pennsylvania Utilities Commission • March 27, 2021 PECO filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, requesting that the PUC grant a "Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity" for the Gas Expansion Plant on Cedar Grove Road