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## Gas in Arlington

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Hello,

As an Arlingtonian who is working hard to get my residence more climate-friendly and our town cleaner (our family got rid of our still perfectly-good gas heating system and replaced it with a heat pump this year, even if it's going to increase our overall energy costs; our gas-powered car and oven are next on the chopping block), I urge you to not allow the construction of a new "take station" at 307 Washington St. (or anywhere else in Arlington for that matter).

As a trained forester who's now working in air quality monitoring, I can assure you there will be downsides if that facility gets built: gas leaks that may/will lead to tree mortality, reduction of tree canopy cover, etc. Plus, building bigger and newer gas facilities goes contrary to the stated goal of Arlington to become less reliant on natural gas. That's without mentioning increased air pollution caused by burning all that extra gas, the impact on climate, etc.

So please help Arlington stay a leader in creating more liveable and sustainable towns, and help stop the expansion of natural gas distribution and use in our town.

Sincerely,

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