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Each time I write you I end up even more perplexed. I don't understand how someone from the PUC can call my copy and the chemicals on it safe for everyone. Now I find out about how the gas company (U.G.I. Utilities Corp) plans to use all that plastic pipe they are stuck with. They decided to go back to metal because either plastic didn't work or it's a problem or becomes a problem. Did U.G.I. Corp. do away with plastic pipe just in the Hazleton Area or do away with it wherever they supply natural gas. I don't know, as I did not read or see the article, my friend seen it in the local paper. Their yellow chemical does not cling to plastic, but clings to metal and glass. Only now code allows a 4 foot section of plastic pipe in the back when installing a gas range.

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I take it that it must be the vertical or it could be horizontal since most gas pipe is the same way in the ground. I question this code for one reason the chemical in our gas lines does not cling to plastic (am I talking to myself again) It will get pushed into the flame even quicker, walls will get yellow but most important here are people. That's what's wrong here, gas companies forget who pays them, they just shut it off. U.G.I. can do that also. A harmless gas furnace could now cause serious eye damage and plastic pipe is O.K. only on a properly vented gas range, basically all restaurant stoves.

I don't understand why no one voiced their opinion, filed complaints, made phone calls to U.G.I. It's mind boggling to hear a judge call benzene safe. What happen, too many people quit smoking? The EPA doesn't call it safe and were directly involved in

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A gas leak that went public years ago. This was gas for cars. This gas leaked in the ground, well my gas is also leaking and someone could get it in their eye. Only it's not natural gas but the chemical in the lines used when U.G.I used to make gas from coal years ago. I can't even contact the E.P.A. as you get a recording. Everyone does. Why? Leaking or landing on my house?

I am still waiting for the PUC to come and see this mess. Been waiting for 8 months now. To get the full effect you would have to live here for 25 years. One thing sticks out like a sore thumb, a big yellow spot in line with the gas duct. I always thought natural gas was odorless and colorless. Why is the sidewalk yellow? And when did benzene become harmless? Sounds like things are becoming more dangerous, not safer. U.G.I Corp. didn't even look at the

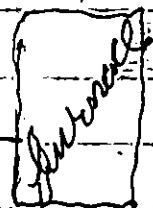
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kitchen walls. Their whole inspection WAS A JOKE. One person tells the other two people some garbage and puts the drip pipe back on. I did not complain about a gas heater. I did complain about yellow walls and listed kitchen cabinets, ceiling fan, paint and needed accessories. I WANT U.G.I. and the PUC at my residence to look at what the complaint is about or concerns, this time. Anyone could ignore the walls especially if that's what the complaint is about. Now it's about eyes and still no one seems to care. What would you do, look for chemicals that they don't use. Then why did U.G.I. come here if they don't use it? Then why do we have drip pipes? Drip pipe is a dead giveaway, if you want health problems

Respectfully,

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PIPE to  
FURNACE  
drip pipe →



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The decision on my first complaint, why are you making decisions on something that was cancelled. That should stop the whole shebang. You call benzene safe to the public. But the EPA doesn't call it safe. You also knew that stove was only on for 30 minutes, but your concern should have been methyl mercaptan, and venting gas ranges since no one opens windows in Fall Winter and early Spring. I am only repeating what I read on a lab analysis given to me by U&I Corp. It's becoming clearer why this remained a secret for close to 50 years. Plastic pipe was discontinued only in Hazleton and surrounding Area, since U&I Corp. probably used plastic in Allentown, PA and elsewhere. Plastic isn't being discontinued in other cities, but then they don't have drop pipes, like every gas user in the Area, or health problems.

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NO phone hearings!  
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court.

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