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Subject:	Proposed Rulemaking - Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

Re: Proposed Rulemaking - Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) has received the included comments regarding the above-referenced proposed rulemaking.

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TO: Members of the Environmental Quality Board RE: Pennsylvania Specific Mercury Reduction Rule The Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) federal mercury rule will result in more mercury in our air and water than simply fully enforcing the Clean Air Act. PA is currently the 2nd worst polluter of mercury from coal-fired power plants in the country. PA coal is also higher than most in chlorine content which makes it more apt to fall closer to its source. Our children deserve to grow up in a state that leads the way on reducing mercury pollution. I encourage the adoption of the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed PA specific mercury rule which aims to reduce mercury pollution by 80% in 2010 and 90% in 2015 at all applicable sources, and prohibits the trading or netting of mercury pollution credits. We have the opportunity to protect our families' health and safety by implementing a PA specific mercury reduction rule as soon as possible for the sake of our community and our children's health. There are children in my family and I do not want them exposed to mercury.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Marjorie L.Hughes Marjorie L. Hughes Regulatory Coordinator PA Department of Environmental Protection Rachel Carson State Office Building P.O. Box 2063 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2063

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