July 25, 2006

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Our children's health is at stake! Please oppose any pollution trading plan and make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

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Rev.Elizabeth Miller 708 Eighth Ave Bethlehem, PA 18018-3501

July 18, 2006

IRRC - Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market St, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

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Lisa Torrieri 417 Monroe Street Philadelphia, PA 19147-3117

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Best,

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Olga Guerra 500 Cindy Circle PENLLYN, PA 19422-1152

August 17, 2006

members of the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) Rachel Carson State Office Building, 15th Floor, 400 Market Street P. O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-2063

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Anthony Capobianco 1400 Knights Drive South Park, PA 15129-8519

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Michael Hoffberg 280 Country Gate Road Wayne, PA 19087-5322

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Christina Lawless 215-530-3883

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Barbara Field 318 Richfield Street Pittsburgh, PA 15234-2935

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Steven Kokol 219 Country Club Lane Wallingford, PA 19086-6507

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Please submit to Board members

To Environmental Quality Board Members From Peggy Clark

7311 Route 422 Hwy.West Indiana, PA 15701

I am writing in support of DEP's proposed rule on mercury emmissions.

As a retired public health nutritionist, I remember children in our clinics with autism, attention disorder defects and other nervous system disorders. We and other staff would have done all we could to prevent such distress to those children and parents. The help these children did need was very expensive, if obtainable,

Our home is located within 8 miles of Keystone Power Plant in Armstrong County and 11 miles of Homer City plant in Indianan County. We have long been wary of our exposure to poor air quality I have a son who went to first grade for several days, came home and announced "he was not going back, he could not learn to read". He was diagnosed as dyslectic. He got help at IUP, at some cost to Pennsylvania taxpayers. We had a small flock of sheep who occasionally had a malformed or dysfunctional lamb- no explanation for cause.

Although we do not claim that a mercury rule would solve all or even most of these problems and mysteries, it behooves the state of Pennsylvania to prevent any it can.

I do beleive there IS sufficient evidence of malfunctions in babies brains due to mercury.

There seems to be no argument that mercury levels should be cut in 2018. That is a generation away. Why should we wait??

We oppose the cap and trade proposals of SB1201 and HB2610. Why should it be ethically acceptable to enable purchasing an allowance for harmfull polutants??

I firmly believe PA power plants have the capability and financial structure to handle the proposed provisions.

Please proceed to put the proposed mercury amendments to Chapter 123 into effect as quickly as possible. Thank you for attention to this matter G

Paggy Clark

EN. JULIE TAL QUALITY BOARD

Aug 20, 2006

MERCURY EMISSION REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRIC GENERATING UNITS (#7-405) ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD P.O.BOX 84777 HARRISBURG, P.A 17105-8477

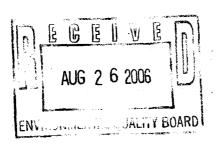
TO WHOM IT CONCERNS!

ARE YOU AWARE THAT THE FISH & GAME INDUSTRY IS ADVISING CITIZENS TO EAT NO MORE THAN ONE FISH PER MONTH? OR PERHAPS HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE MERCURY CONTAMINATION ADVISORY ON ALL WATERWAYS STATEWIDE? OUR COAL FIRING POWER PLANTS IN THIS STATE ARE ALLOWING OVER SEVEN THOUSAND POUNDS OF MERCURY TO BE DISCHARGED INTO THE AIR EACH YEAR! THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE! MERCURY IS A NEURO-TOXIN; IT IS AN OUTSTANDING THREAT TO THE HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF OUR BEAUTIFUL STATES RESIDENTS!

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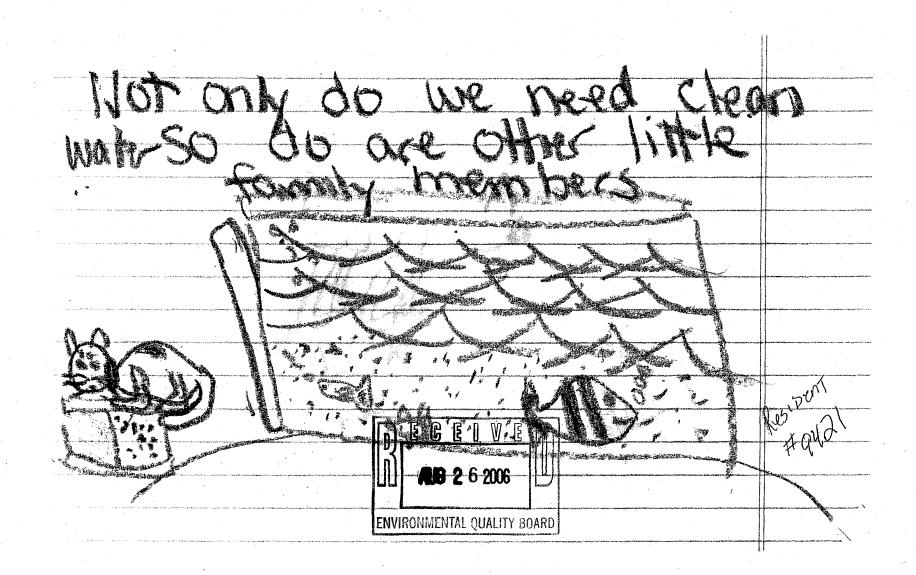
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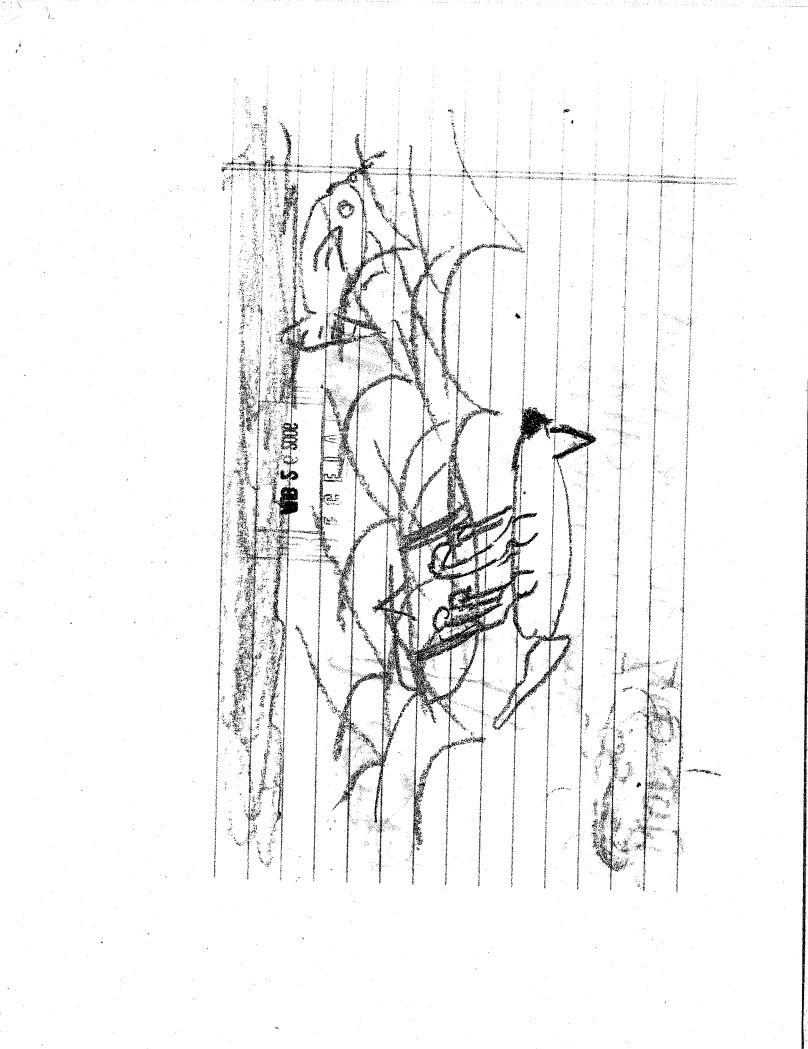
1 AM VERY INTERESTED IN YOUR COLLECTIVE STANCES ON THIS 15SUE - PLEASE SEND ME A RESPONSE TO PUT MY MIND AT EASE! 1 TOOK A LONG TIME TO WRITE THIS OUT.



RESPECTFULLY JOSHUA K. KOHLER Joshua K. Kohler 598 S. COTTONWOOD RD. NORTHAMPTON, PA 18067

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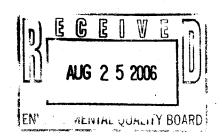
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SUBJECT: MERCURT ENISSION REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS FUR ELECTRIC GENERATING UNITS (#7-405)

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I AM VERT CONCERNED ABOUT THE ONGOING EFFECT OF MERCURT ON OUR CHILDREN, AND ALSO ON THE AQUATIC RESOURCES OF OUR STATE

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Drew W. Pegon 113 Farview Ave. Norristown, PA 19403-1662

August 23, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

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

To the Department of Environmental Protection:

As you are no doubt aware PA ranks only one step below the worst contributor of mercury from coal-fired power plants in our nation. It is a toxin that accumulates in the tissues of the animals and fish of Pennsylvania, and by default our own. Mercury has been positively linked to a host of human health problems, and potentially even to some developmental disorders such as autism in children.

The nature of mercury pollution is one that doesn't readily lend itself to easily being removed from the environment once present. Its growing levels will affect the economy, healthcare, and even tourism in ways that are immediately apparent; and in many others that may not manifest themselves for years. Logically, one available solution to mercury pollution is to eliminate it at major point sources in the smoke stacks of coal-fired power plants before it has the opportunity to become active in our environment.

I absolutely support the DEP proposal to require coal-fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions at least 90% by 2015.

Regards,



#### 23 August 2006

#### **RE: I Demand Strict Rules on Mercury Emissions Now!**

Dear Environmental Quality Board,

I am writing in support of the strictest standards possible on mercury emissions in Pennsylvania, especially from coal-fired power plants. The utility companies have had many years to install cost-effective scrubbers that have been proven in the marketplace for many years. The health of the citizens of the Commonwealth and the protection of waterways and other species is far more important than the profits of the power companies. They are virtual monopolies and thus guaranteed profits anyway. Their lack of concern for the public's welfare is astonishing.

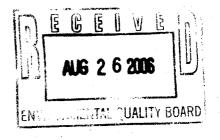
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Sincerely,

Vincent Orbradig

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515 Plymouth Road, Apt K6 Plymouth Meeting PA 19462



## HAPPY HUNTERS SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, INC.

676 Chicora – Fenelton Road P.O. Box 2 Fenelton, PA 16034 www.happy-hunters.com

August 22, 2006

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements For Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

At our last club meeting we voted unanimously to collectively voice support of our 710 members for the Department of Environmental Protection's mercury reduction plan for power plants. Pennsylvania needs aggressive action to reduce mercury pollution from power plants – our state's <u>largest source of mercury pollution</u> – and DEP is on the right track.

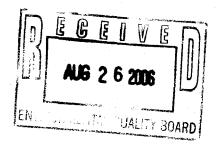
The members of this hunting and fishing club value Pennsylvania's outdoor recreation opportunities, and we are deeply concerned about the levels of mercury in our fish. Mercury pollution poses a serious threat not only to our children and families, but also to the fish, wildlife, and outdoor heritage we treasure here in the Commonwealth. We want to see Pennsylvania's leaders stand up and respond to this severe pollution problem and the level of urgency it requires.

It is time for meaningful action to control the mercury pollution that is contaminating our environment, and the DEP's mercury rule for power plants is just what's needed.

Respectfully,

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Tom Young Secretary HHSC



Environmental Quality Board P.O.Box 8477 Harrisburg, Pa 17105-8477

John & Diane Rickards 418 Race Street Perkasie, Pa 18944

In regards of the "Mercury Emissions Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405), we support the DEP PROPOSAL TO REQUIRE COAL FIRED POWER PLANTS TO CUT THEIR MERCURY EMISSIONS 90% BY 2015. Let's do the right thing for the sake of our children and future generations AND ALSO OPPOSE ANY POLLUTION TRADING PLAN AND MAKE SURE <u>ALL</u> COAL FIRED PLANTS REDUCE THEIR MERCURY POLLUTION.

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Kevin McGlynn 623 Creek Ln. Flourtown, PA 19031-1114

Dear Kevin McGlynn:

Whether you are an avid angler, a parent of a young child, or you just like eating fish, mercury pollution in Pennsylvania affects you. Mercury has dangerous consequences for wildlife - especially fish and the animals and people who eat them. Recent findings also show that toxic mercury is accumulating in forest songbirds, indicating that the contamination problem extends far beyond our aquatic habitats.

#### It is time for aggressive action to stop mercury pollution in Pennsylvania!

Pennsylvania's coal-fired power plants are the leading cause of the mercury pollution that contaminates local lakes, fish and wildlife. Nearly 8,000 pounds of mercury are released into the air from the state's power plants. Pennsylvania ranks <u>second in the country</u> for the most mercury pollution released from this source.

Fortunately, Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has proposed a much-needed plan to require power plants to cut their mercury emissions using available, affordable technology – **and they need your help!** 

# Urge the Department of Environmental Protection to stand strong behind their great mercury plan!

"We have a moral obligation to protect our treasured outdoors, so that future generations of Pennsylvanians can go fishing and enjoy the thrill of eating their catch, and to protect it so that wildlife is not in harm's way for they have no other food choice."

 recent op-ed by Larry Schweiger, NWF CEO (Pittsburgh Post-Gazette - June 28, 2006)

# PLEASE show your support for reducing toxic mercury in Pennsylvania by sending the enclosed postcards <u>before August 25!!</u>

Sincerely,

Catherine Bowes, Northeast Mercury Program Manager For more information about mercury, visit <u>www.nwf.org/mercury</u> or send an email to <u>bowes@nwf.org</u>



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From: Sent: To: Subject: Sari Steuber [sari@steuber.com] Monday, July 17, 2006 10:03 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Sari Steuber 45 Paper Mill Rd Springfield, PA 19064-2704

July 17, 2006

IRRC - Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market St, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear IRRC Independent Regulatory Review Commission:

I strongly support the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed rulemaking on mercury reductions from coal-fired power plants in Pennsylvania.

Allowing high levels of mercury to enter our water streams and food chains is tantamount to destroying our children's futures. It puts our children's health at risk and potentially limits their development into strong, able, intelligent adults. It also contaminates our food supply and the wildlife we need and enjoy so much. We cannot afford to selfishly squander our future generations' potential for full and interesting lives by thinking only of our short-term economic convenience. The costs we avoid today will have multiplied enormously when they finally come due and our children and grand-children will be the ones who have to pay.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

Sari Steuber 610-543-0692

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jane Fava [janefava@comcast.net] Monday, July 17, 2006 6:13 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Jane Fava 626 Meadow Drive West Chester, PA 19380-6235

July 17, 2006

IRRC - Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market St, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear IRRC Independent Regulatory Review Commission:

I strongly support the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed rulemaking on mercury reductions from coal-fired power plants in Pennsylvania.

It can not be acceptable to allow contaminants that we know pollute, that we know are a threat to health, we know are a threat to our environment and WE KNOW WE CAN CONTROLL to continue to pollute our waterways!!!

It can not be more cost effective to pay for the medical help for health effects of mercury for thousands rather than to pay for the pollution controlls in the power plants.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

Jane Fava 610-429-0109

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lois Sellers [Isellers555@yahoo.com] Tuesday, July 18, 2006 9:11 AM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Lois Sellers 267 Rambling Way Springfield, PA 19064-3513

July 18, 2006

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Dear IRRC Independent Regulatory Review Commission:

I strongly support the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed rulemaking on mercury reductions from coal-fired power plants in Pennsylvania.

In 1971, Eugene Smith, photographer for LIFE Magazine, went to Minamata, Japan to document the grievous toll exacted by a harbor full of mercury. The fish were full of mercury, the residents ate the fish.

One of the most moving photgraphs I have ever seen is Smith's stark image of a mother bathing her horribly deformed daughter, "Tomoko Uemura in Her Bath"

I would hope that lessons such as the one from Minamata would only need be learned once. I think each member of the House should look at this image http://theopinionmill.com/Minamata.html

Costs exacted on a corporation will never be as high as this mother paid.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

Lois Sellers 610-543-0209

829 Pennwood Drive Pittsburgh, PA 15235 July 25, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

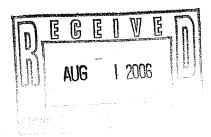
Re: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

I urge you to develop a strong enforceable plan whereby the Dept of Environmental Protection can require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions by at least 90%. The effort to do this should begin now so that by 2015, all provisions for doing so are in place and thee is no excuse for violations.

The children in the state of Pennsylvania are being raised in the beautiful sylvan surroundings that give no hint of the troublesome air and water pollution. Our coal fired power plants are responsible for the pollution of our rivers and streams in which the public's food source of fish come from. These fish have a high level of mercury. Pregnant women eating these mercury contaminated fish pass the mercury on to their newborn children The same pollution contaminates the source of the public water supply so that mercury is built up over the child's lifetime. This cannot be passed off.

Our children are the future of this state. Pennsylvania has a responsibility to protect them. Their learning, thinking and behaving is now and will affect the future of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania has the opportunity to affect in the most positive way our children. This circle can be a blessing to all. This is a window of opportunity to assure the bright future of our sylvan state.

Most sincerely, erren Genevieve Garvin-Isaac





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#### August 1, 2006

Environmental Quality Board P. O. Box 8477

Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

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

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

As a Mother and Grandmother, I am outraged at the mercury levels in the state of Pennsylvania as well as all other states. Since Pennsylvania ranks #2 for mercury emissions from the coal-fired power plants, it is important that we reduce the pollution by 2015 by 90%. I do not understand why it should even take this long to accomplish this. I know that the coal and electric power industries are opposing this. We need to make sure that the plan for reduction is adopted without fail.

Don't we all want healthy children? I have one grandchild and about to have another one in the next several weeks. It is important that everyone be protected from mercury, not only just children but adults as well. Let's stop fooling around with something so important as this. Let's make sure that **all** of these plants must comply with the reduction of mercury pollution. If not, then they should be heavily fined to make them see the importance of this issue.

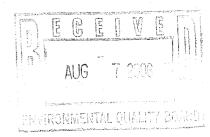
Please do whatever you can do to make sure this reduction goes through without fail by 2015 or earlier, if possible. Thank you.

Kindest regards,

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Nancy L. Geesey 375 Kent Lane Perkasie, PA 18944

215-258-5997



#### McDaniel, Megan

From:walter.scott@fccc.eduSent:Wednesday, August 02, 2006 9:02 AMTo:regcomments@state.pa.usSubject:Re: Mercury Emission Reduction Proposed Regulation

Dear Environmental Quality Board,

As a chest surgeon who works at a cancer center, I am writing in support of the state moving forward with DEP's state-level proposal to cut mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's coal-fired power plants by 90 percent by 2015. Coal-fired power plants are the largest unregulated source of mercury pollution, which contaminates our waterways and eventually the fish that end up on our dinner plates. Medical experts say that even low levels of mercury exposure can affect the way kids learn, think, memorize and behave.

The technology exists to cut mercury pollution by 90 percent, and I support DEP's efforts to require these cuts at Pennsylvania power plants, without allowing for mercury pollution "credit" trading. With the Bush administration weakening our federal mercury protections, it is essential that state decision-makers take the lead in protecting our environment and public health by cutting this toxic pollution from Pennsylvania power plants.

Sincerely,

Walter Scott 1464 Hunter Rd Rydal, PA 19046

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#### Dear Environmental Quality Board,

We as a family suffering with a child who has tested high in mercury and has PDD-NOS, a form of autism, want to have the levels of mercury being put out by companies lowered so other families do not need to suffer this same fate or other illnesses related to high mercury levels.

Please do what ever is needed to prevent this toxic substance from posining any more children!

Sincerely,

Wendy Moyer 307 N Third St. Perkasie PA 18944

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Dear Ms. Bird:

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I totally support Gov. Rendell's efforts to reduce mercury pollution. I have arrived at the realization that those individuals/companies who do not believe that mercury is dangerous in gh amounts - as emitted from our coal burning power plants - do not love their children/grandchildren or respect the well-being of their fellow citizens. It s just one more painful example of se who are in the decision making sts in our governments are unable to copt reality or love their money even re than their fellow human beings! Thank you for sending your letter the above address so that I could register my concern about the dangerous level of mercury in our fish, for example. I love to eat fish and I have friends and relatives who love to fish and eat their catch.

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RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

To Whom It May Concern:

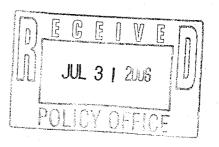
Ensuring that there is sufficient "safe and affordable" drinking water for our families and future generations, and minimizing the health and the environmental hazards caused by pollutants in the air, water and soil appear to be the aim of the DEP proposal to require a 90% reduction in mercury emissions by 2015. I am therefor in favor of the DEP proposal to compel power plants to stop polluting the air, water and soil.

Hence I am hereby urging the Environmental Quality Board to adopt and/or support the DEP proposal and to oppose any plan(s) to move pollutants from one locale to another that will not significantly reduce the risk of human exposure to harmful pollutants in the air, water and soil.

Sincerely,

Walter M. Harris

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From:	Cheryl Lockard [cplcvl@comcast.net]
Sent:	Sunday, July 16, 2006 7:32 AM
To:	IRRC
Subject:	Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

As a Pennsylvania resident, I strongly support the DEPÅ's proposed mercury emission rule to reduce mercury emissions from coal fired power plants 90% by 2015. PA is the second largest source of mercury pollution in the U.S. We know that mercury is dangerous for children, and fish across our state are contaminated.

I urge you to oppose any pollution trading rules for mercury, and require all coal plants in PA to reduce their mercury emissions. Please enact the DEPÅ's mercury reduction proposal as soon as possible. Our kidsÅ' health is at stake, and they deserve protection today!

Thank you.

Sincerely

Cheryl Lockard cplcvl@comcast.net 3925 Reiniger Rd Hatboro, PA 19040

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July 27, 2006

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA. 17105-8477

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

To Whom it May Concern:

As a resident of Pennsylvania, I want you to know that I support the proposal to reduce mercury emissions from coal fired power plants. It's shameful that our beautiful state is number 2 in the U.S. for mercury emissions. This is detrimental to our wildlife, as well as to the long-term quality of life for our children and their children. To pass this rule, you would not only help to save our environment, but also to ensure that Pennsylvania citizens can be proud (and healthy) citizens.

Sincerely nna Har

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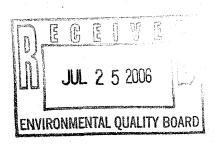
40 N. Franklin St. Doylestown, PA. 18901

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My name is Moriah Mason and I grew up in Trafford, Pennsylvania. I support the Department of Environmental Protection's state-specific mercury reduction rule, which would cut mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's coal-fired power plants 90% by 2015. I support this rule as a woman, because one in six women of childbearing age have enough mercury in their bodies to put a child at risk of developmental problems. I support this rule as a girl who grew up canoeing on and swimming in the Youghageny. I support this rule as a Pennsylvanian who believes that industry should respect this state's land and people. These are Pennsylvania's most precious resources and it is essential that they are protected. And that's why I support the Department of Environmental Protection's mercury reduction rule.

Moriah Mason 423 Fairmont Aug Trafford PA 15085





I am here today as a concerned citizen and mother of two children to ask that the Board adopt the DEP proposal that would require 90 percent mercury reductions from Pennsylvania's coal-fired power plants by 2015, and not allow Pennsylvania's plants to opt out of reducing their emissions by purchasing credits from plants in other states. I urge you to oppose any pollution trading rules for mercury, and require all coal plants in PA to reduce their mercury emissions.

Pennsylvania power plants are the nation's second largest source of toxic mercury pollution (behind only Texas) and fish in lakes, rivers and streams statewide are contaminated with mercury. Power plants are responsible for over 40% of the total mercury emitted from all US sources. It is estimated that almost 2.6 million children in Pennsvylania live within 30 miles of a power plant, the area in which the greatest health impacts are felt. Mercury is a powerful neurotoxin that can interfere with the proper development of babies' brains and lead to learning disabilities, attention deficit disorder and delays in speaking and motor development. We cannot afford to expose any more of our children born and unborn and ourselves to this toxin. There is no reason to wait years to modestly reduce mercury emissions as the federal government recommends. This must be done as quickly and as thoroughly as possible.

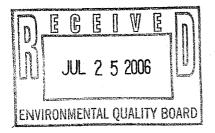
Most Pennsylvanian's favor a stronger mercury rule and are willing to pay the extra \$1.08 more a month that such controls would cost the average household. A poll released in May 2006 by Madonna Opinion Research shows that four out of five Pennsylvanians support a Pennsylvania mercury rule that is stronger and takes effect faster than the weak federal rule. The fact that Pennsylvanians are willing to pay a little more each month for the health of their children speaks volumes how we all desperately want the reduce the amount of mercury emitted each year from Pennsylvanian sources. However, if mercury reductions are made in the near future, taxpayers would actually need to pay less in the long run for special education needs, as less children will be affected by learning disabilities caused by mercury pollution.

I urge you, consider the wishes of the residents of Pennsylvania. Please adopt the regulation that would require 90 percent mercury reductions from Pennsylvania's coal-fired power plants by 2015.

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Colleen Willison 67 Coraopolis Road Coraopolis, PA 15108

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#### July 25, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

When I was pregnant with my son 4 years ago, no one told me about the dangers of eating fish, including my doctor. Luckily I did some research on my own and found some lists about which fish had higher levels and which fish were okay. But the data was confusing. I asked a friend who is an environmental scientist about it and she said "To be safe, don't eat any fish while you're pregnant or nursing." According to the latest recommendations this was the wisest choice. However, the public health message about mercury contamination in fish has been contradictory and muddled. Families who don't have scientist friends, or who simply have less access to critical health information will be harmed. The fact is we need to address these danaers aggressively and quickly now -- and not later. believe Pennsylvania is in the perfect position to set an example. We need to push the coal industry into the 21st century. \*An industry that pollutes the environment and endangers the health of infants and children is not a viable part of our economy. Please act in favor of the families of Pennsylvania.

Thank you,

Licia Slimon 207 So. Atlantic Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15224 (412) 661-6262





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**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION** 

Dear Administrator of the Environmental Quality Board,

I am writing you because we as Americans need to do something about our water. We are all at risk of water pollution. Your grand or great grand children will suffer if something is not done NOW. I beg you from the mouths of your future family to please change what the corporations have done to our planet. Pennsylvania corporations, at that! No money is worth it!

July 7, 2006

I personally cannot drink my water in Forest Hill Pittsburgh. I'll bet you don't drink the water from your faucet! How could you be a part of the destruction of such an important asset of our community, culture and world?

It is in your hands more than you can know. Don't let this continue. Keep supporting this type of bill.

PA is #2 in the US for mercury emissions from coal fired power plants. DEP wants to require these plants to reduce their pollution by 90% by 2015.

Environmental and public health groups support this; but the coal and electric power industries are organizing to block it.

SB 1201 which would block DEP's proposed rule allowing more mercury to be emitted for more years, recently passed the state Senate 40 to 10. We need to thank our Senator for voting against this bad bill.

In Harra Please keep fighting this destruction!

Andrea Harman 111 Marion Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15221 /

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#### **Testimony: Public Hearing**

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#### INDEPENDENT REGULATORY BEVIEW COMMISSION

My name is Maddie Schramm I am from Squirrel Hill, and I support the Department of Environmental Protection's state specific rule that would cut mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's coal-fired power plants 90 percent by 2015.

As a Pennsylvanian, I refuse to be bullied by industry. This public outcry will be heard. I refuse to idly allow industry to dictate the state of our environment and ultimately our health.

The Clean Air Act of 1988 states in section 101. Part a 2

The growth in the amount and complexity of air pollution brought about by urbanization, industrial development, and the increasing use of motor vehicles, has resulted in mounting dangers to the public health and welfare, including injury to agricultural crops and livestock, damage to and the deterioration of property, and hazards to air and ground transportation

Coal fired power plants are the largest source of unregulated mercury pollution. Mercury was placed on a list of toxic pollutants that needed to by regulated – that industries that emitted Mercury must use the most advanced control technologies to minimize emissions.

In 2004 our states coal burning power plants emitted 6700 pounds of mercury – more than every other state save Texas. Mercury exposure can cause severe developmental problems in children. The EPA recommends not eating more than one fish a month from Pennsylvania waterways.

The technology to ignite this change is available and essential. So, again, My name is Maddie Schramm I support the Department of Environmental Protection's state specific rule that would cut mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's coal-fired power plants 90 percent by 2015.

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Testimony for the Mercury Regulation Hearing for the Department of Environmental Protection of Pennsylvania by

Karen Slossburg 301 Price Street West Chester, PA 19382 phone 610-430-6112

I believe it is now the time to regulate mercury in PA. As a mother of two children I am aware of the problems mercury in our environment causes. As an obstetrics patient I was cautioned not to eat too much fish. This warning came from my physician as well as widely published books on guides to having a healthy pregnancy. Specifically, the warnings pertained to swordfish, tuna, mackerel and fish caught in the lakes and streams of Pennsylvania. As a resident of Pennsylvania, this concerns me. I expect Pennsylvania to lead the way in clean air and clean water but was surprised to learn we are closer to last on the list of states with high levels of mercury.

Mercury has been directly associated with developmental delays in newborns and young children. It is even a greater concern in fetal development. Why would we want this in Pennsylvania's air and water? If the producers of mercury pollution will not take responsibility for correcting this problem, we need enforceable regulations which will reduce mercury in our environment as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Richard D Ludwig [signgrap@ptd.net] Monday, July 17, 2006 6:51 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Richard D Ludwig 6050 Franklin Hill Rd East Stroudsburg, PA 18301-9268

July 17, 2006

IRRC - Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market St, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear IRRC Independent Regulatory Review Commission:

I strongly support the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed rulemaking on mercury reductions from coal-fired power plants in Pennsylvania.

The federal mercury rule is bad for Pennsylvania's economy. Mercury contamination is threatening the Commonwealth's sporting, angling, and recreation industry, a significant source of revenue and jobs throughout the state. Because of the trading system set up in CAMR, Pennsylvania plants are more likely to pay for pollution credits than to clean up and modernize old plants. As a result, jobs are exported to other states, in the form of skilled labor required for the technological upgrades. As the electricity market becomes more integrated, cleaner plants (in other states) will out-compete their dirty counterparts (in Pennsylvania), forcing plants to close and more jobs to be lost. Pennsylvania's rule encourages use of bituminous coal (mined in Pennsylvania and in nearby states). The federal rule makes it more attractive for plants to switch to coal mined from Western states. Most importantly, there are significant costs associated with the devastating health impacts; rates of learning disabilities and associated health effects of mercury in children are increasing.

Pennsylvania is number two in the nation for mercury pollution to air from coal-fired power plants. The most recent Toxic Release Inventory from the Environmental Protection Agency ranks Pennsylvania as second worst in the nation for mercury pollution to the air, behind only Texas. This is up from third in 2004.

Pennsylvania lakes, rivers, and streams are contaminated with mercury pollution. Every water in the Commonwealth has advisories on fish consumption due to high levels of mercury and other types of pollution. In over 200 sampling locations in the state, fish have such high amounts of mercury that people are advised to eat no more than two meals of those fish per month.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Frank Ammon [franksam@kiski.net] Monday, July 17, 2006 8:11 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Frank Ammon 209 Coleman Road Saltsburg, PA 15681-1455

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Frank Ammon

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Robert Calhoun 111 east cove lane shohola, PA 18458-4342

July 18, 2006

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An overwhelming majority of Pennsylvanians support the state mercury rule, even if it means paying more on electricity bills. A recent opinion poll conducted by Terry Madonna Research Opinion found that 4 out of 5 Pennsylvanians support a mercury rule that is stronger and implemented faster than the federal rule. Eighty percent of the respondents would be willing to pay up to \$1.08 more on the electricity in support of the Pennsylvania rule. More than 60 health-affected, health, women's, children's, sporting, faith-based, environmental and conservation organizations around the state support the Pennsylvania rule. Over 100 hunting and angling clubs around the state support the rule. Over 100 medical experts and faith leaders around the state have co-signed letters in support of the state-specific rule.

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Sincerely,

**Robert Calhoun** 

From: Sent: To: Subject: Bill Waddington [bwaddi@verizon.net] Tuesday, July 18, 2006 12:14 AM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Bill Waddington 365 Corinne Road West Chester, PA 19382-6766

July 18, 2006

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Sincerely,

Bill Waddington 610 793-1088

From: Sent: To: Subject: Mike DellaPenna [mdellapenna@comcast.net] Monday, July 17, 2006 6:21 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Mike DellaPenna 2 Fairway Drive Malvern, PA 19355-1519

July 17, 2006

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Dear IRRC Independent Regulatory Review Commission:

I strongly support the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed rulemaking on mercury reductions from coal-fired power plants in Pennsylvania.

Mercury pollution from coal-fired power plants affects health. Mercury pollution from power plants forms methylmercury, which poses a major health threat to humans and wildlife, primarily from eating fish. Mercury causes serious neurological problems in developing fetuses and babies. Very small amounts of mercury, passed to the child through the mother's blood or milk, can cause health effects. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control verify that over 600,000 women of childbearing age in the U.S. have levels of mercury in their blood higher than that considered safe for their developing babies. Mercury pollution is also causing developmental problems for a wide variety of wildlife, including song birds, mammals, and amphibians.

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Sincerely,

Mike DellaPenna

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Cynthia Iberg P.O. Box 222 McAlisterville, PA 17049-0222

July 17, 2006

IRRC - Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market St, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear IRRC Independent Regulatory Review Commission:

I strongly support the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed rulemaking on mercury reductions from coal-fired power plants in Pennsylvania.

Pennsylvania lakes, rivers, and streams are contaminated with mercury pollution. Every water in the Commonwealth has advisories on fish consumption due to high levels of mercury and other types of pollution. In over 200 sampling locations in the state, fish have such high amounts of mercury that people are advised to eat no more than two meals of those fish per month.

Pennsylvania is number two in the nation for mercury pollution to air from coal-fired power plants. The most recent Toxic Release Inventory from the Environmental Protection Agency ranks Pennsylvania as second worst in the nation for mercury pollution to the air, behind only Texas. This is up from third in 2004.

THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE. MY PENNSYLVANIA CONSTITUTION SAYS I HAVE A RIGHT TO CLEAN AIR AND WATER AND YOU TAKE A VOW TO SUPPORT THIS CONSTITUTION.

YOU HAVE THE POWER TO CHANGE PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE BETTER. DO IT. LET US LEAD THE NATION IN DOING THE RIGHT THING.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Iberg

## Dear D.E.P.,

To Whom It May Concern, I support "The Mercury Emissions Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405). It is embarrassing to be part of a human race that is so greedy and selfish. Furthermore, a society that clearly does not care about our future generations. It is imperative that we should set the example for the rest of the world. I do not believe that our government is doing the proper job by protecting the citizens.

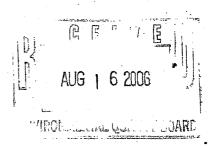
Our survival depends on the whole world to work as a unit. We are already loosing important species that we need, to keep a balance in our environment. All of the signs are there and are screaming for help. I just hope that there is something salvageable left by 2015.

Thank you for you time,

Marcia A. Pippin

425 Rogers Ave

Aston, Pa 19014



## Dear EQB,

I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

Sincerely,

Karen Milles

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August 10, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477 RE: PA Specific Mercury Regulations

Dear Members of the Environmental Quality Board:

Enclosed are 133 public comments from concerned community members throughout Pennsylvania supporting the Department of Environmental Protection's proposed PA specific mercury regulations.

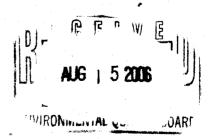
We thank you for carefully considering the opinions of all citizens across the state of Pennsylvania. The 249 thoughtful citizens who submitted these enclosed comments genuinely care for the health and wellbeing of their families and future generations. We hope you make the right decision and move the regulations on to the next stage of implementation. All Pennsylvania citizens would be greatly indebted to you for making the right decision to protect their health and well-being.

Again, we thank you for doing the right thing for Pennsylvania and its citizens of today and tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Laura M. Cella Intern Sierra Club





4100 MAIN STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19127 TEL: 215. 508.3310 FAX: 215.508.3340 www.sierraclub.org/community/philadelphia

From:	IRRC
Sent:	Friday, July 07, 2006 1:52 PM
То:	Gelnett, Wanda B.
Subject:	FW: Proposed Rulemaking - Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

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-----Original Message----- **From:** mahughes@state.pa.us [mailto:mahughes@state.pa.us] **Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2006 1:45 PM **To:** IRRC **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 abovereferenced proposed rulemaking.

Commentor Information: Kathryn Barker kathbarker@earthlink.net 21 Kenwood Drive Carlisle PA 17013 US

Please do whatever it takes to keep Hg emissions low here in Pennsylvania.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Marjorie L.Hughes

From: IRRC

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2006 1:52 PM

To: Gelnett, Wanda B.

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

-----Original Message----- **From:** mahughes@state.pa.us [mailto:mahughes@state.pa.us] **Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2006 12:37 PM **To:** IRRC **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 abovereferenced proposed rulemaking.

Commentor Information: Kathleen Lunn Springfield Township Commissioner, Montgomery Coun klunn@comcast.net 4 Golf View Drive Lafayette Hill PA 19444 US

I am in favor of stringent regulation of mercury emissions as recommended by the PA Dept. of Environmental Protection. I serve as Chair of our Township Environmental Affairs Committee. Thank you for your consideration of my comments. Kathleen Lunn

Please contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Marjorie L.Hughes

From: IRRC

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2006 1:52 PM

To: Gelnett, Wanda B.

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

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**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 abovereferenced proposed rulemaking.

Commentor Information: Michelle Robinson robinson@stanfordalumni.org 23 Kerry Ln. Malvern PA 19355 US

I support reductions and strong regulations in Mercury emissions. Mercury is dangerous for our children and the citizens of Pennsylvania. Please enact regulation to require coal-fired power plants to reduce their mercury pollution by 90%! It is the responsibility of the government to protect public health and the environment. Pennsylvania power plants do not need to be the second biggest emitter of mercury pollution in the United States. Please help save our children, our citizens, and the lakes, rivers, and streams in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania!

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Please contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Marjorie L.Hughes

 From:
 IRRC

 Sent:
 Friday, July 07, 2006 2:02 PM

 To:
 Gelnett, Wanda B.

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

-----Original Message----- **From:** mahughes@state.pa.us [mailto:mahughes@state.pa.us] **Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2006 1:59 PM **To:** IRRC **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 abovereferenced proposed rulemaking.

Commentor Information: breen masciotra bmasciotra@yahoo.com 5819 elwood street #4 pittsburgh PA 15232 US

I am in favor of the mercury rule proposed by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). It is important for the health of all citizens to reduce mercury pollution.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Sincerely, Marjorie L.Hughes

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477 8/23/2006

Dear EQB Members:

I am writing to urge you to support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut the mercury emissions by 90% by 2015. Please oppose any pollution trading plans and make sure all coal plants reduce mercury pollution for the sake of our children's health and a cleaner Pennsylvania. It is about time Pennsylvania is in the top percent for a clean, unpolluted environment instead of being #2 in the country for mercury emissions. That is certainly something we should not be proud to be. We need to make responsible choices that keep our environment clean!

Sincerely,

Darlene Balaques-Piernock

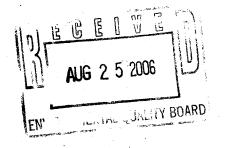
Darlene Balaguer-Piernock 323 Rogers Road Norristown, PA 19403

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I Caley Hodgson support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

Calley Hodgson 25 Shelbourne PP. Havertown, PA 19083



#### To the Environmental Quality Board

I fully support the DEP's rulemaking on reducing mercury emissions and want to see it implemented as soon as possible.

The DEP rule is needed because the illegal federal rule is inadequate and delays mercury reductions for decades. The federal rule sets up a trading scheme resulting in high mercury contamination near power plants that buy credits from up-to-date plants, instead of doing what is affordable and possible here at home.

Pennsylvania power plants are now the SECOND WORST mercury polluters in the country and are responsible for 83 percent of mercury emissions released in the air in the Commonwealth. The health effects of mercury are well known; babies have the highest risk of lifetime health problems, since mercury can destroy their developing brains and neurological systems both before and after birth.

The Environmental Quality Board voted in 2005 to allow the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to move ahead with drafting a state-specific rule. This rule came out of a lengthy stakeholders process that included industry, health groups, environmental organizations, and experts. I support the state-specific rule that does not rely on trading to reduce mercury emissions.

	Thank you.
	Sincerely,
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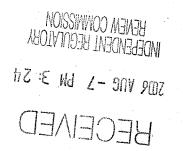
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Lillian T. Shinsato 21312 33rd Rd Bayside, NY 11361-1509

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Members of the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) Rachel Carson State Office Building, 15th Floor, 400 Market Street PENDE P. O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 171052063

Re: Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Dear members of the Environmental Quality Board (EQB):

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It's exasperating that this problem was addressed over 30 years ago in the 1970 Clean Air Act and yet power plants knowingly violated this law.

Looking forward, this problem has an undeniable solution. The Pennsylvania rule as proposed requires that plants in the state must reduce their mercury emission levels by 90 percent by 2015, and does not allow mercury trading. Meeting this basic environmental standard will ensure that we can breathe cleaner air and eat healthful fish. The people of Pennsylvania support this and so do I, a New Yorker, because it affects all of us.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

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Lillian T. Shinsato 718 4287972 213-12 33 Rd Bayside, NY 11361

Monday, July 17, 2006

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

To Whom It May Concern at the EQB,

I am writing to show my support of the DEP proposal to reduce their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. Our children will continue to be at risk for health effects that will not only lead to challenges throughout life, but to greater health care costs for the nation. I implore you to oppose any pollution trading plans and make sure that all coal plants reduce their mercury emissions.

Thank you for your time,

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Carrie Sheariss 6 Bellview Drive McKees Rocks, PA 15136



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505 Evergreen Lane Aston, PA 19014 July 29, 2006

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

To Whom It May Concern:

Pennsylvania is the second largest source of mercury pollution in the U.S. Mercury is dangerous for children, and fish across our state are contaminated. This is immoral, embarrassing, and unacceptable. As a Pennsylvania resident, I strongly support the DEP's proposed mercury emission rule to reduce mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants 90% by 2015.

I urge you to oppose any pollution trading rules for mercury, and require all coal plants in PA to reduce their mercury emissions. Please enact the DEP's mercury reduction proposal as soon as possible. This action is for the common good. What is more important than our kids' health?

Thank you.

William Connors



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To Whom It May Concern:

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Virginia Papiernik 523 W Market St Perkasie, PA 18944

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Robert Belchic 27 Mohawk Ave New Britain, Pa. 18901

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July 27, 2006

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

Dear Members of the Environmental Quality Board,

I am writing in regard to the reduction of mercury pollution in the environment. I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. I urge you to please oppose any pollution trading plan and to make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

Thank you for your time in helping to improve the environment.

Best regards,

Elen Killoran

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429 Long Rd. Penn Hills, PA 15235

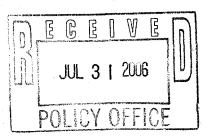
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Best regards, Terence Young TY Jecense Jecuny

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328 Pine Street Birdsboro PA 19508 July 26, 2006

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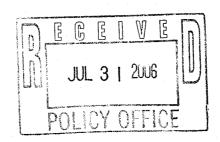
Dear Sirs:

I am writing to urge you to support the Department of Environmental Protection proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

Our kids' health are at stake. I urge you to oppose any pollution trading plan and to make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

Sincerely,

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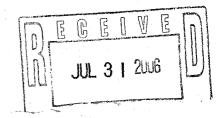
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Sincerely, ricia Moore

Pennsylvania Resident Mother of 4



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Sincerely,

Theodore S. Valentine

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43 Creek View Drive Perkasie, PA 18944

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Sincerely, lennifer O. Valentine

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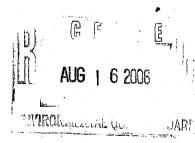
To Whom It May Concern:

I want to let you know that I fully support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. The future of our children depends on this reduction. I would also ask that your organization oppose any pollution trading plan and make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerel Jill/M. Connell

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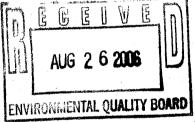


## To The EQB

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My Husband and myself support the DEO proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

Ron & Kathy Henry 534 Marshall Ave Topton, Pa 19562



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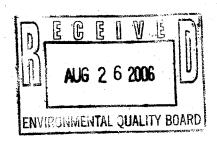
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EQB, I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

Becky Hartz 192 Reynolds Ave. Pottstown, PA 19464



To whom it may concern, I am writing to ask for your help in lowering the level of mercury in our water by 90% by the year 2015. I feel this will greatly improve the safety of our water. Sincerely, Rebekah Callaghan

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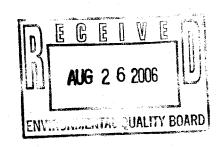
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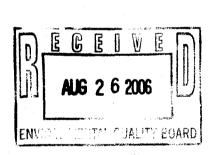
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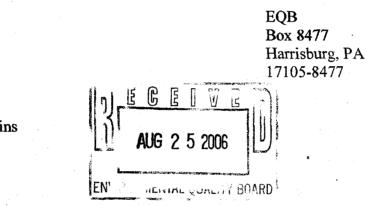
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Thank you Debbie kline

8/21/06 To the EQB: I support the DEP proposal to Require COAL FIRED POWER PLANTS to Cut their mercury emissons 90% by 2015, OUR Kids health is at stake. One in A hundred and sixty six bieths ARE DiAgnosED with Autisim. Although not proven, I feel it is (mercury, that is the cause for this disability Thank you, Joe Poncener ALG 2 5 2006 DE SpringField PH BUNARD



Catherine M. Jenkins 337 Avon Road Springfield, PA 19064

To Whom It May Concern: I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. As an educator who spent 15 yrs in special education, I have seen first hand the dramatic rise in autism and other learning disabilities in our elementary children. Many blame mercury poisoning for Autisim Spectrum Disorder. We know mercury poisoning is dangerous, why don't we do anything about it?

Sincerely

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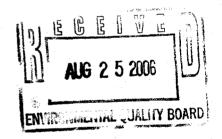
Cathy Jenkins

To: EQE From: David A. Fein

216 N. Concord Ave Havertown, PA

Subject: DEP Proposal to Require Coalfired Plants to Reduce Mercury

I believe that clean air and clean water are essential rights of every American and every human being and animal on earth. I think that we should do whatever we can to ensure clean air and clean water. Mercury causes brain damage and we have to do what we can to eliminate it from our air and water.



To: EQB

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From: Jeaninne Fein 216 N. Concord Ave Havertown, PA

Subject: DEP Proposal to Require Coalfired Plants to Reduce Mercury

I believe that clean air and clean water are essential rights of every American and every human being and animal on earth. I think that we should do whatever we can to ensure clean air and clean water. Mercury causes brain damage and we have to do what we can to eliminate it from our air and water.

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Gerald M Werndl 330 Grove Ave Springfield Pa. 19064

To Whom it may Concerno I am Writing to the EQB to Urge that the Board Support the DEP Proposal which will require coal fired power plants to cut down their Mercury emissions 90% by 2015. Please Oppose any pollutions trading plan and Make Sure all coul plants reduce their mercury pollution. As a Father of two young children's I am worried about the lagge amounts of pollution coal fired power plants cause.



Thank you Gerald M Werwall Gerald m. avend

To the EQB,

I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions by 90% by 2015. I oppose any pollution credits or trading plan that the companies could sell as this does not help our situation at all. We want clean sources of water to fish from and not have to worry about limits on how many fish we can eat from the local ponds, streams and lakes. I was horrified to find limits due to the mercury content. I want to see all coal plants reducing their outputs of mercury as we have the technology to stop this form of pollution and the only thing staning in the way of impelmenting these changes are corporate greed.

Thank you for your time Jason Henry 117 Hillside ave trooper pa 19403

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EQB-,

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Brian W. Harper 29 Tenmore Road Haverford, PA 19041

August 16, 2006

Environment Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105

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

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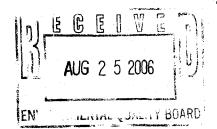
Alainya H. Harper



#### To Whom It May Concern:

I support the DEP proposal to require fixed power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by the year 2015. Our children's health is as stake and I urge you to oppose any pollution trading plans and to make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

Kathy Tiberio 2203 Winton Avenue Havertown, PA 19083



August 15, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Lori Ciprich and I am a Pennsylvania resident that is concerned about the health of our children and our children's children. I am in support of the DEP proposal to require coal fired plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. I urge you to oppose any pollution trading plan and to make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

Thank you for addressing this concerning issue in advance.

Regards, Lori Ciprich

848 Homestead Avenue Havertown, PA 19083

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617 Furlong Avenue Havertown, Pennsylvania 19083-3322 August 17, 2006

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-8477

Dear Friends,

I am writing concerning Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405).

I encourage you to support the DEP proposal to require all coal-fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions by 90% by the year 2015.

I also hope you will oppose any pollution-trading plan.

Please take whatever steps you can to promote the health of all Pennsylvanians.

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Yours very truly,

Thomas Hartmann

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#### Kathy Cooper

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ed McGovern [mcgovern1954@hotmail.com] Monday, July 17, 2006 5:49 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Ed McGovern 3602 Beech Run Lane Mechanicsburg, PA 17050-2208

July 17, 2006

IRRC - Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market St, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear IRRC Independent Regulatory Review Commission:

I strongly support the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) proposed rulemaking on mercury reductions from coal-fired power plants in Pennsylvania.

First and foremost, I have a grandson on the way. I will work very hard to see the environment in which he grows up is as safe as possible.

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

Ed McGovern

Kathy Cooper

From: Sent: To: Subject: Helen Jacobson [hjacobsn@osfphila.org] Tuesday, July 18, 2006 8:21 AM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Helen Jacobson 609 S. Convent Rd. Aston, PA 19014-1207

July 18, 2006

IRRC - Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market St, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

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#### Kathy Cooper

From: Sent: To: Subject: Erika Ingato [emi71199@aol.com] Monday, July 17, 2006 10:32 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Erika Ingato 6650 Powder Valley Rd Zionsville, PA 18092-2228

July 17, 2006

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Sincerely,

Erika Ingato

#### Kathy Cooper

From: Sent: To: Subject: Susan Charles [ancientgenes@comcast.net] Monday, July 17, 2006 6:52 PM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Susan Charles 115 Winfield Dr Camp Hill, PA 17011-1348

July 17, 2006

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Sincerely,

Susan Charles 717 763 1848

#### Kathy Cooper

From: Sent: To: Subject: Julia Johns [garielle@hotmail.com] Tuesday, July 18, 2006 12:39 AM IRRC Comments in favor of DEP Proposed Mercury Rulemaking

Julia Johns 113 Golf View Drive Mcmurray, PA 15317-5327

July 18, 2006

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed rule for cutting mercury pollution from Pennsylvania's power plants.

Sincerely,

Julia Johns 7249417406 August 23, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

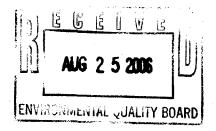
> Re: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements For Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

Dear Sir or Madam:

I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. We spend billions overseas on wars. We should be able to spend a few million at home to protect our children, our future.

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Richard Gillespie 241 Foulke Lane Springfield, PA 19064



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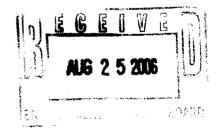
Steven S. Englehart 118 Fairview Rd. Springfield, PA 19064

August 21, 2006

To whom it may concern,

I am concerned about the high levels of mercury found in our waters and fish. I am writing to urge you to support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions. Please oppose any pollution trading plan and make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Steven S. Englehart



Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

Marie R. Englehart 118 Fairview Rd. Springfield, PA 19064

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Samuel F. Rhodes 5083 Wendi Dr W Zionsville PA 18092

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg PA 17105-8477

Concerning the "Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405), it is time that we take a strong stance against the mercury emissions in our state. The heinous affects that emissions can have on children and especially expectant mothers is well documented and anything less than 90 to 100% reduction in emissions is unconscionable in today's world.

If the power plant lobby can put it off, they will resist reductions for as long as is possible. We must make the decision that is right for our community and our future and shun the financial "next quarter" attitude of the power producers. To do anything less is morally bankrupt.

So please support the DEP's 90% reduction in emissions of mercury today.

Thank you for supporting the correct path.

Sincerely Yours,

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Samuel F. Rhodes

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August 24, 2006

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

To Whom It May Concern:

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Sincerely,

Wendy L. Snyder 19 South Callowhill Street Topton PA 19562

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George J. Van Houten III 942 Edgewood Drive Springfield, Pa 19064

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309 Garey Rd. Douglassville, PA 19518

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## Environmental Quality Board, PO Box 84477, Harrisburg PA 17105-8477

Dear EQB,

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Sincerely, Linda Civatte Juda Civatte

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#### Scott Newman 114 Wyndmoor Rd Springfield, PA 19064

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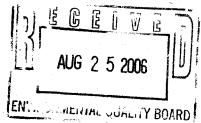
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August 22, 2006

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Dear, Environmental Quilaty Board

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I Support a 90% decrease in admission by 2015, 1 Care about the future and having a clean environment for the future to make up for the problems now!

Sincerely, Alyssa Sinibaldi

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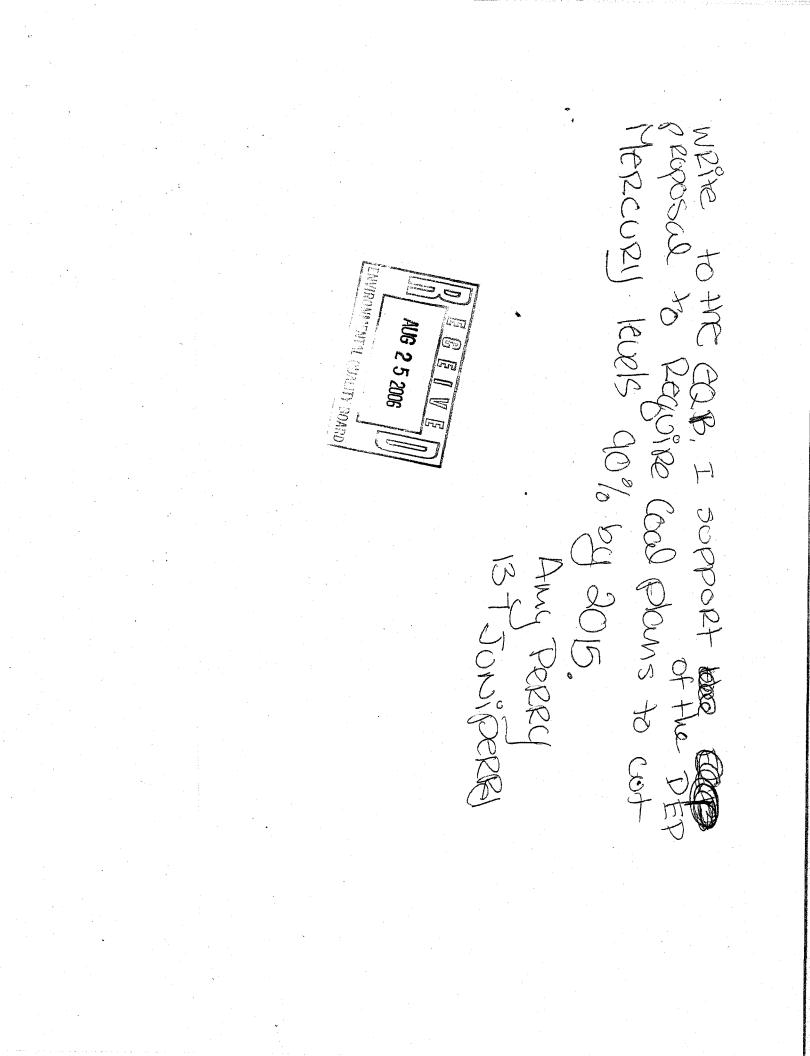
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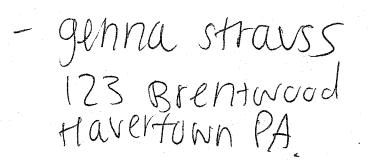
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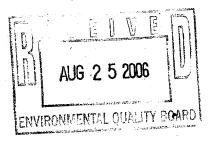
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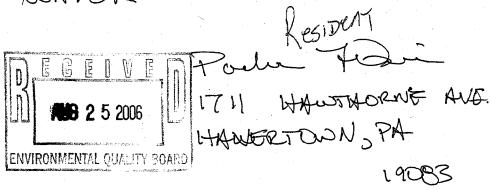


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Do The right Thing. Please !!!

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August 15, 2006

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

Re: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Unites (#7-405)

Dear Environmental Quality Board,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the mercury emissions in Pennsylvania. Our state has the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest rate of mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants in the United States. I support the DEP proposal to require power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015 and urge you to oppose any pollution trading plan and make sure ALL coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

Please take the steps necessary to reduce the mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Scott M. Schaediger

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Environmental Ovality " P.O. BOX 8477 Hainishing PA

Environmental Quality Board PO box 8477, Harrisburg, PA. 17105-8477 Paul Vogel 320 Ballymore Road Springfield, PA. 19064-2304

Dear Sir or Madam:

As we commence into the twenty-first century, it is imperative that drastic measures be taken to improve the quality of both our air and drinking water. Currently the state of Pennsylvania ranks second for high levels of mercury emissions due to coal fired power plants.

The Department of Environmental Protection has proposed that by 2015, coal fired power plants reduce their mercury emissions by 90%. It is impossible to predict the future environmental impact if these emissions are to allowed to go unchecked. That is why it is imperative that steps be taken **now** to improve the way in which we operate our power plants in the state of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely :

Paul Vogel

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Environmental Quality Board P.O.Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

### Dear Sir:

I am writing regarding "Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405). I support the DEP proposal to require coal-fired power plants to reduce their mercury pollution 90% by 2015.

To tell you the truth I was surprised to hear that PA is #2 in the United States for mercury emissions, and I am more than a little disturbed by it. Most people are aware of the dangers of eating too much fish, but they never think about drinking water with mercury in it.

I am not an environmentalist, as such, but I feel that this is extremely important for everyone's health, particularly children.

Sincerely,

Margaret Sierro

Margaret Tierno 314 Indian Rock Dr. Springfield, PA 19064

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#### August 18, 2006

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

To Whom It May Concern:

It has been brought to my attention that there could be contaminated water in our neighborhood. This is a concern for me, my family and especially my children.

Could you please stop all coal plants from producing large armounts of mercury, and to stop any pollution trading plan.

This needs to stop immediately. There are too many health risks for my family.

Sincerely,

Shawnna Luke

1522 Brierwood Road Havertown, PA 19083

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Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

August 17, 2006

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am taking time out of my busy schedule because as the mother of three young children including a one month old infant I am highly concerned about mercury pollution.

As one of the states with the worst record on Mercury pollution we need to take decisive action against this dangerous pollutant. I urge you support the DEP proposal to cut mercury emissions from coal fired power plants 90% by 2015.

The health of our children, their future and ours, depends on this:

Thank you for your consideration.

Allacea Very truly yours.

Ruth Anne Yakscoe 102 N. Morgan Avenue Havertown, PA 19083



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#### Kathy Cooper

From:	Hughes,	Marjorie	[mahughes@state.pa.us]
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Sent: Monday, July 17, 2006 3:56 PM

To: Joseph Deklinski (E-mail); Patrick Henderson; Richard Fox; Dunn, Elizabeth; Shomper, Kris; environmentcomm@pasenate.com; energy@pasen.gov; vhoffman@pahousegop.com; cgeorge@pahouse.net; IRRC

Subject: Commentator Name Correction

On Friday (7/14) you received the following email transmitting comments from Janine Banas. There was an error in transmission, and the commentator's correct name is Janine <u>Nelson</u>. All other information in the transmission is correct. We are investigating how the error occurred and will correct it. My apologies on any inconvenience this may have caused you.

Marge Hughes

Marjorie L. Hughes

Regulatory Coordinator PA Department of Environmental Protection

-----Original Message----- **From:** mahughes@state.pa.us [mailto:mahughes@state.pa.us] **Sent:** Friday, July 14, 2006 11:03 AM **To:** Hughes, Marjorie **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.

Commentor Information: Janine [<u>Banas</u>] NELSON jnnelson@yahoo.com 2420 S Orkney St. Philadelphia PA 19148 US

Dear EQB: I am writing to voice my full support for the Pennsylvania State Level Mercury Rule, and to urge that it be implemented as quickly as possible. Coal-fired power plants are the largest source of mercury pollution in Pennsylvania and throughout the entire United States. Every lake, river and stream in Pennsylvania is contaminated with this poison. The state level mercury rule would reduce mercury pollution from power plants more quickly and effectively than the weaker federal standards. These pollution reductions are crucial for improving air quality and protecting public health in the state. I urge the Environmental Quality Board and the Independent Regulatory Review Commission to support Pennsylvania's own mercury rule. Sincerely, Janine Nelson 2420 S Orkney St. Philadelphia, PA 19148

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 Office: 717-783-6395 Fax: 717-783-8926 mahughes@state.pa.us

#### Kenneth Salkowski 102 Hillside Ave. Eagleville, PA 19403

August 23, 2006

Environmental Quality Control Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

This letter is to inform you that I am displeased with the current status of the environment in our state of Pennsylvania and I would like to specifically voice my support for the Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405). It is time we cleaned up our state for today and for the future of our children. I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power generating stations to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

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#### Michael Adams Adams Studio 3002 Fifth St. Norristown, PA 19403 610-539-5679 madamsstudio@comcast.net

August 23, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg PA 17105

RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electrical Generating Units (#7-405)

Dear EGB Board Members,

I am contacting you to ask for your support to oppose any pollution trading plans because of a growing concern for the health and safety of our children and future generations. A reduction in mercury pollution for any working power plant would help in this goal.

Best regards,

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Michael Adams

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#### THOMAS JOS.LYNCH

134 East Scenic Road Springfield PA 19064-1945 Phone or Fax 610-544-8334

August 23, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

We have been told the DEP wants to require the coal fired power plants to reduce their mercury pollution by reducing the emissions which is a product of burning those coal deposits found in our great commonwealth. The burning costs the coal & electric power companies additional funds to bring their product to the market. They should be made to meet those DEP demands in order to protect Pennsylvania's citizens. Please do your job and protect us. We need your attention to your appointed responsibilities.

Thanks for your time.

Thomas Jos Lynon

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**RE: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements** 

For Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

Dear sir:

Please include my support for the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) mercury reduction plan for power plants. Pennsylvania needs aggressive action to reduce mercury pollution from power plants. This is especially important as the commonwealth may proceed toward the production and/or enhancement of coal gasification as an energy alternative.

As a retired forest district manager with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, I appreciate the need to continue to address pollution. The need to expand the use of the commonwealth's natural resources to meet tomorrow's energy cravings must be met with wisdom. We must solidify our stance whereby provisions with energy producers can be made while protecting the environment. Realistic and meaningful safeguards must form the strength of any policy or legislation addressing energy production, transmission or uses.

Mercury pollution must be controlled and reduced within our environment. DEP should stand firm in its action to reduce this from of pollution.

Sincerely,

James Connor



Gregory and Katherine Smith 11 Bennington Rd Havertown PA 19083

#### August 16, 2006

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg PA 17105-8477

Re: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units

To Whom it May Concern:

We would like to register our support for the proposal by the Department of Environmental Protection to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by the year 2015. We believe that mercury levels, which have risen considerably and now pollute the oceans and streams, are a coricus health risk to curselves and our young children and must be reined in before the damage to the environment and the health of all Pennsylvanians cannot be reversed.



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Dear EQE,

Right now, women and children in our state are a risk if the eat fish caught in our state, even from the most pristine streams....because of high levels of mercury in our fish. Even tiny amount of mercury in a mother's body can affect the way her children learn, think, and listen.

PA is #2 in the US for mercury emissions from coal fired plants. DEP wants to require these plants to reduce their mercury pollution by 90% by 2015. Environmental and public health groups support this; but the coal and electric power industries are oppose it.

We have only one Earth and even though we have found sources of power, these sources are killing the planet. So in order to make our planet live, we need to protect it like it protects us.

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Environmenta/Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 . Harrisburg, P.A., 17105-8477

Angelika Antoni 8-15-06 Subject: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements ... (#7-405) PO Box 340 Bally, PA 19503 To the Environmental Quality Board; As a scientist and a pregnant woman living in Bally, Pennsylvania, I am Very concerned about the level of mercury in our environment; especially about the effect It can have on my child. 13702+80.5. L completely support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. I also oppose any pollution trading plan so that all coal plants will be required to reduce their mercury pollution. Sincerely,\_\_\_ Angelika Antoni DECEIVEI Angelika Antoni AUG 2 1 2006 PO Box 340, 201 S. 4th St. ENVIRONMENTAL UUALITY DOAR Bally, PA 19503

## The Moyer Family



# Memo

To:	Environment Quality Board	•			vironmen
From:	Grant F. Moyer, 205 W. Poplar St.	, Fleetwood, Pa.	19522-1	507	
Date:	8/16/2006				
Re:	Mercury Emission Reduction Requ	uirements for Ele	ectric Gen	erating Unit	s ( <b>#</b> 7-405)

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am a 60-year-old man and almost nothing that will happen to our earth's environment in the next 20 years will have much of an affect on the rest of my life, but I have two children, three grandchildren, and one 7-week-old great-grandchild. I refuse to make any concessions regarding their health and I hope that the people at the EQB will have the common sense to do likewise.

I fully support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions by 90% by the year 2015. I further oppose any pollution-trading plan and to make sure all coal-fired plants reduce their mercury pollution.



Mr. Grant F. Moyer 205 W. Poplar St. Fleetwood, PA 19522-1507

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# Memorandum

То:	Environmental Quality Board				
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From:	David Gallagher				
Date:	7/14/2006				
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To whom it may concern,

As a concerned citizen of Pennsylvania, I am writing to inform you that I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plans to cut their mercury emissions. You are in the position to help represent the interests of our state. Please oppose any pollution trading plan and make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollution. The health of the children and citizens of Pennsylvania is at stake.

Sincerely,

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Andrew & Linda Feldstein 116 S 2<sup>nd</sup> St Barto, PA 19504

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

To Whom it may concern:

We are writing to ask you to support the Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405) as proposed by the DEP. Our environment and our childrens' health hang in the balance.

The plan should remain to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. Pollution trading plans and credit programs should be opposed since the goal is the reduction, not redistribution, of mercury.

Thank you for your support of this important issue.

Sincerely. All Feldslein

Andrew & Linda Feldstein

(#7-405) Dereccing Enission Reduction

2100 Haverford Road Ardmore, Pa. 19003

Dear Sir:

Women and children in the state of Pennsylvania are being exposed to record levels of Mercury from coal burning fired power plants. Some of the effects are neurotoxins, cerebral palsy, and Parkinson's disease to name a few. This is a problem that can be remedied, by installing scrubbers in the smoke stacks.

As Biology major, and a medical person, this simple act, could offset millions of dollars in future medical bills and give pregnant women, one less worry about their newborns.

Thanks for your consideration Marjorie J. Umlauf RT MR CT

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Environmental Quality board PO box 8477 Harrisburg, Pa. 17105

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Dear EQB:

It is my understanding that our children's health will be jeopardized if you do not take action against the high amounts of mercury emissions caused from coal-fired power plants. I urge you to consider taking action on this subject matter immediately.

Sincerely,

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August, 16, 2006

Scott M. Schaediger 214 N. 4th Street Bally PA 19503

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Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

Re: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Unites (#7-405)

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As a mother of three children, ages 2, 9 and 11, I become more worried each day about their health and the environmental concerns that affect their health. Presently, we do not consume the drinking water that is provided to us by our local government due to environmental pollutants. We are being provided water by our borough for "free" until the situation is resolved which has been almost two years already. I wonder why it is that our taxes have increased over the past couple of years?! The kids cannot drink from the water fountains at their school and are afraid to brush their teeth with the "bad" water.

During the past year, our house was also tested for TCE vapors. It's wonderful to know that the results are below the "allowable limit" that the government has established but can you promise me that the house we bought to raise our children in which was built on a "Superfund Site" (which was NOT disclosed to us at the time of purchase) will not harm my children?

Please take the steps necessary to reduce the mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants –think of the children.

Thank you.

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#### To the Environmental Quality Board

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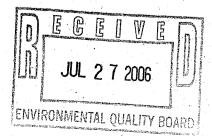
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**Environmental Quality Board** P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, Pa. 17105-8477

#### Attention DEP:

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

I will be the first to admit that I am not fully aware of the impact this is having on our environment. But, it is apparent that we need to make all the changes possible to help our world. As it has been said, it is one thing that we can't replace. We need to take care of it, so our children and theirs (and so on) will be able to enjoy it as much as we do.

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I'm writing to let you know that I support your proposal requiring coal fired power plants to cut their emissions by 90% by 2015 (sooner would be better). As an educator and a parent, I am worried about the impact that this is having on our children. It is really important for all coal plants to reduce their pollution. Not only will this benefit our children, but will have a positive impact on our environment.

Sincerely,

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Dorothy M. Van Ess 345 Hanby Circle Boothwyn, Pa. 19061

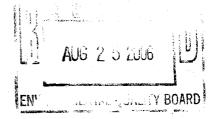
To Whom It May Concern at the EQB:

I Kristin Favacchia would like to state that I am in full support of the DEP proposal to require coal fire power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. We are urging you to oppose any pollution trading plan and to make sure ALL coal plants reduce their mercury pollution. If not for you own health and wellness but for the health and wellness of the children. I am sure a lot of you have children and I would like to think that for your children alone you would do something like this for them. The children are our future let us provide them with clean water to fuel them into greatness!!!

Thank you for you time!

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Kristin Favacchia 37 James drive Havertown PA 19082



Environmental Quality Board P O Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

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

Members of the Board:

I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

Mercury is an insidious, and unseen threat to the long term health and safety of Pennsylvania's citizens. Please oppose pollution trading plans, which serve only as but deferral of accountability, and undermine the intended goal of this proposal. The mercury reductions sought can only truly be accomplished if all coal plants are subject to a consistent standard.

Please have the courage and foresight to act on this serious, growing threat to our waters, to the quality of life of our citizens, and ultimately future business potential in this state.

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Michael F Milliken Jr. 1521 Norman Road Havertown Pa 19083

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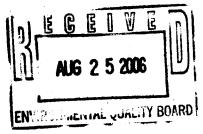
Re: Mercury Emission Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7-405)

17 Aug 2000

Dear Sirs/Madams,

I an writing to support the DEP proposal to reduce coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015. Please oppose any pollicition trading plan and make sure all coal plants reduce their mercury pollicition. I have two children. I would like them to be able to eat fish that is not takic. Thank You.

> Ruth Sunzer, 1450 Burmont Rd Haventown AA 19083

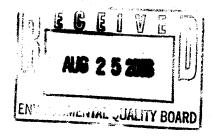


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231 Harwicke Rd SpringField, Pa 19064 August 22, 2006 To Whom It May Concern: I am deeply concerned about the dangerous effects of mercury on the health of Pennsylvania residents. Coal-Fired power plants are responsible For emitting mercury into the environment where it is injested by the Fish. Women that eat the Fish and become pregnant can produce Children that will struggle with learning, thinking and hormal behavior. I support the Clean water action Committee and their efforts to require Coal-Fired power plants to reduce their mercury pollution 90% by 2015.

Sincerely, Barbara the Bride (Barbara Mc Bride)



DEAR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITS BOARD. I support the EPA's DECISION to reduce MERCUNY EMISSIONS by 90% by 2015!!

Sincerety; Joe Harry.

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131 NONTHRIDGE PA. McDonald, PA 15057

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August 22, 2006

To: The Environmental Quality Board

**Subject**: Mercury Emissions Reduction Requirements for Electric Generating Units (#7 405)

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We depend on clean water for the health of our families now and in the future.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter!!

Sincerely,

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Bridget McHugh 23 Lownes Lane Springfield, PA 19064

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To whom it may concern!

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Sincerely,

Heidi Peat Havestown, PA

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- Sean C Farren

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To Whom It May Concern:

I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury omissions 90% by 2015. I am a pediatrician and parent of 2 small kids; as such I am urging you to force power plants to clean up on site and not allow "trading."

Sincerely,  $\mathcal{H}$ mana Stephanie James, M.D.

12 Saxer Ave. Springfield, PA 19064

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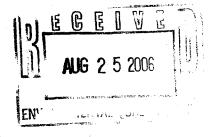
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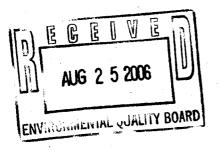
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To: Environmental Quality Board

From: Joseph P. McGonigal 140 Plymouth Rd Springfield, PA 19064

Re: DEP proposal

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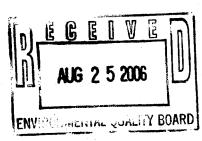
From: Kathie McGonigal 140 Plymouth Rd Springfield, PA 19064

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Sincerely, Jarin a Myoniga

Kathie A. McGonigal



Dawn Wright 36 Worrell Dr Springfield, PA 19064

Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

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Sincerely,

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Dawn Wright

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July 17, 2006

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Sincerely,

**Robert Bittner** 

1017 Silver Lane McKees Rocks, PA 15136

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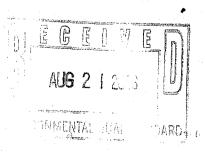
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Mrs. Cheryl Bittner 1017 Silver Lane McKees Rocks, PA 15136



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

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Commentor Information: Melanie Love

605 Creek Lane Flourtown PA 19031 US

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

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Commentor Information: David Worthington

1929 Fitzwater St. Philadelphia PA 19147 US

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Commentor Information: B. Lai

8000 High School Rd., Apt. 5C Elkins Park PA 19027 US

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Commentor Information: Elliot Patete

243 E. Albanus St. Philadelphia PA 19120 US

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Commentor Information: Amida Gumo

5634 Angora St. Philadelphia PA 19143 US

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Commentor Information: Dennis O'Connor

211 Parkdale Rd. Philadelphia PA 19154 US

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Commentor Information: Gena Heng

418 Morris St. Philadelphia PA 19148 US

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Commentor Information: Alistair Alves

1006 Clifton Ave. Sharon Hill PA 19079 US

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Commentor Information: Anika Weathers

1701 N. 10th St., Apt. 313 Philadelphia PA 19122 US

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Commentor Information: Nicole Steiner

414 Dogwood Circle Aston PA 19014 US

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Commentor Information: Jenifer Baldwin

1939 S. 11th St. Philadelphia PA 19148 US

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Commentor Information: Ludim Rodriguez

257 Chelten Ave. Philadelphia PA 19120 US

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Commentor Information: Penelope Myers

7126 Cresheim Rd. Philadelphia PA 19119 US

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Commentor Information: Gretchen Sneff

309 Pelham Rd. Philadelphia PA 19119 US

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**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 abovereferenced proposed rulemaking.

Commentor Information: Helen Marie Rosenbaum

344 Ripka St., 2nd Floor Philadelphia PA 19128 US

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Commentor Information: Whit Armstrong

147 Hermitage St. Philadelphia PA 19127 US

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Commentor Information: Audra Shemkovitz

5008 Spruce St. Philadelphia PA 19139 US

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Commentor Information: Lauren Klausner

1114 Spruce St. Philadelphia PA 19107 US

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Commentor Information: Eric Stevenson

1222 Magee Philadelphia PA 19111 US

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Commentor Information: Erin Svoboda

1324 Locust St., #1217 Philadelphia PA 19107 US

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229 64th Ave. Philadelphia PA 19120 US

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Commentor Information: Sarai Alboaq

2607 Welsh Rd., H307 Philadelphia PA 19114 US

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31 Warner Ave. Springfield NJ 07081 US

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Commentor Information: Ethan Sterner

1241 Jericho Rd. Abington PA 19001 US

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1110 Mt. Vernon Philadelphia PA 19122 US

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Commentor Information: David Turka

1100 W. Godfrey Ave., G308 Philadelphia PA 19141 US

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1801 Buttwod St. Philadelphia PA 19130 US

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Commentor Information: Natasha Mitchell

3119 Terrace St. Philadelphia PA 19128 US

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121 Christian St. Philadelphia PA US

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1731 South Street Philadelphia PA 19146 US

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Commentor Information: Stephen Mansell

800 Gaston Rd. Willow Grove PA 19090 US

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Commentor Information: Tim Joyce

501 N. 22nd St. Philadelphia PA 19130 US

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Commentor Information: John Bui

2450 Morgan Ave. Bronx NY 10469 US

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Commentor Information: Andre McGill

1746 N. 20th St. Philadelphia PA 19136 US

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Commentor Information: Dan Snyder

1026 Federal St. Philadelphia PA 19147 US

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Commentor Information: Paul Freyer

1300 Pennsylvania Ave., Apt. C3 Oreland PA 19075 US

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Commentor Information: Nicholas Reynolds

6500 Wissahickon Ave. Philadelphia PA 19119 US

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Commentor Information: Jay Longshore

9287 Ridge Pike Philadelphia PA 19128 US

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 it's source. Our children deserve to grow up in a state that leads the way on reducing mercury pollution. I encourage the adoption of Governor Rendell and 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. We need better mercury regulations.

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1202 Slough Dr. Collegeville PA 19426 US

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Commentor Information: Aaron Kalinay

112 W. Salaignac St., Apt 3F Philadelphia PA 19127 US

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**Commentor Information:** Chris Umera

3719 Vale View Drive Allentown PA 18103 US ^^^^^

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Commentor Information: Anika Weathers

1701 N. 10th St., Apt. 313 Philadelphia PA 19122 US

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Commentor Information: Kalpesh Patel

1512 N. 13th St. Philadelphia PA 19122 US

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Commentor Information: Nimrah Ahmed

2570 Donlenik Dr. York PA 17402 US

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Commentor Information: Paula Brown

136 Kuhns Lane State College PA 16801 US

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Commentor Information: Eric R. Anderson

116 Wallingford Ave. Wallingford PA 19086 US

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Dear Environmental quality Board, I Support the EPA's decision to reduce mercury emission. by 90% by 2015 because of the safety and health for the fish in the water.

> Sincerely, Elisa Karafilis 19 Pheasant Rise Court

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"MERCURY EMISSION REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRIC GENERATING UNITS #405

Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg PA 17107-8477

To whom it may concern:

I support the DEP proposal to require coal fired plants to cut their mercury emissions 90% by 2015.

We have to take responsibility for our children and grandchildren and make it a healthier environment for them to live in. I would urge you to oppose any pollution trading plan and make sure ALL coal plants reduce their mercury pollution.

Sincerely, Philip and Karen Murray 667 Valmont Drive Verona, PA 15147

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Environmental Quality Board P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg PA 17105-8477

To Whom It May Concern:

I have recently begun looking in to the state of Pennsylvania's water, and it has been brought to my attention that our state is the second worst in the nation for Mercury emissions. Upon researching this further, it appears to me that our state is suffering not only from power plant emissions in Pennsylvania, but also in surrounding states, such as Ohio.

I feel that it is important that as a board you strongly consider the DEP proposal to require coal fired power plants to cut their mercury emissions by 90% by 2015. In addition, I urge you to discuss this topic with the rest of our community, as well as to attempt to convince our neighboring states to do the same. Our future generations are being placed at a higher risk every day due to mercury emissions, and we should fight for safer water for our sakes as well as theirs. I would greatly appreciate to hear back from you on how you feel about these suggestions, as well as what other steps you are taking to protect our children.

Thank you,

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Ellen Greis

To the Environmental Quality Board

I fully support the DEP's rulemaking on reducing mercury emissions and want to see it implemented as soon as possible.

The DEP rule is needed because the illegal federal rule is inadequate and delays mercury reductions for decades. The federal rule sets up a trading scheme resulting in high mercury contamination near power plants that buy credits from up-to-date plants, instead of doing what is affordable and possible here at home.

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