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Re: Proposed Rulemaking - Diesel Vehicle Idling; and Auxiliary Power Systems (#7-422)

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

Commentor Information:

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 I am writing to ask you to approve the proposed Diesel Vehicle Idling and Auxiliary Power Systems amendments to 25 PA Code Chapters 121 and 126. This rule will require changes to new engines and stop the wasteful idling of the vehicles. I used to be so angry every time I pass the schools with the idling of the school buses. Thankfully a couple counties have their own laws but what about the rest of the state? Each day these kids must walk through deadly emissions not to mention what must be inside the bus by the time they drive away. I don't idle my car. You probably don't idle your car. Why do drivers with diesel engines feel they can idle theirs? It's wasteful and now we know it can be deadly. I am aware of how important the diesel engine has been for our country. Now that we know more about health problems associated with the engine, we need to make changes. Here are some of the facts: Fine particulates from diesel engines trigger asthma attacks and heart attacks, and can lead to cancer and premature death in the long run. With this information in mind, we have no choice but to change the way these engines operate. We can reduce the dangerous emissions by approximately 30 tons of pollution, protecting the health of our communities and state as well as save money! Please keep these comments in mind when reviewing the Diesel Vehicle Idling and Auxiliary Power Systems amendments to 25 PA Code Chapters 121 and 126. I'm confident that when the facts are taken into consideration, we will have a speedy approval. Sincerely, Felicia Sam

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
 Michele L. Tate

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