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Subject: Proposed Rulemaking - Diesel Vehicle Idling; and Auxiliary Power Systems (#7-42/20)EPENDENT REGULATORY

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.

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I'm writing to urge you to adopt the Proposed Rulemaking: Deisel Vehicle Idling (#7-422) Clean Air Council has brought to my attention the following information: Diesel particulate pollution can trigger asthma attacks, heart attacks, and cause cancer in the long run. This regulation will prevent over 30 tons of diesel particulates from entering Pennsylvania's air each year. Idling a diesel engine for 1 hour contributes 1 pound of CO2 (a Greenhouse Gas) to the air. By curbing diesel idling, we can curb global warming. Diesel idling costs drivers and trucking companies money. The EPA estimates that an idling heavy-duty vehicle consumes approximately 1 gallon of diesel fuel per hour. With fuel prices on the rise, and increasing supply concerns, this rule is a no-brainer. Over 13,000 long-haul diesel trucks travel through Pennsylvania every day. The Department of Environmental Protection estimates that these vehicles idle a total of 27.2 million hours per year throughout the commonwealth. I hope this proposal will be adopted a/s/a/p for all our benefits. Thankyou

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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