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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.

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As an owner operator in Pa. I'd like to give my opinion. I don't want to see this happen. We need our engines for heat and air. the Federal Govt. mandates a 10 hour break every day, for safety. How can we safely rest with no heat or air. Can you sleep in your houses without heat or air? The state has offered grants for APU's (alternative power units,) but when we try to get access to those funds there isn't any money available. With the rising diesel fuel cost, our profit margins are all but gone. We can't afford \$8000.00 for an APU. My thought is, if your going to pass this law, there needs to be some kind of tax relief or program with AVAILABLE money to help us before the law takes effect. Every time the law makers decide to do something for the state or country, it cost us (the small guy, truck owner)more money. We can not afford any to absorb any more. We are in danger of being put out of buisness. We represent about 80% of Pa's trucks. In other words, if you do this you will greatly effect Pa's job market and economy. Thank you for the opportunity to express my concerns.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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