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Environmental Quality Board
P.O. Box 8477
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I write to you today to express my opposition to the regulations proposed for wood-fired boilers. While I understand and appreciate the necessity of improving air quality in the Commonwealth, I also appreciate the needs of my constituents.

As you are aware I represent the 50th Senatorial District, which is rural in nature and many of my constituents prefer to use the abundant natural fuel utilized in wood burners in order to provide heat for their homes. I am concerned these proposed regulations would create an unnecessary economic hardship for those individuals.

Please consider the negative impact the proposed regulations would have on my constituents who currently utilize wood-fired burners and who may not be able to afford the proposed changes or to switch to an alternative energy source.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Robbins

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