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From:
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Re: Proposed Rulemaking [25 PA. Code CHS. 121 and 123] Outdoor
Wood-Fire Boilers

Dear Board:

Please do NOT proceed with your proposed rulemaking regarding outdoor wood-fire boilers. I believe this would be unacceptable for our Commonwealth for the following reasons:

1. Wood is a renewable fuel that has been safely used since the beginning of recorded history.
2. Wood does not harm the environment. Fossil fuels DO harm the environment. Wood does not add greenhouse gases to the environment- Fossil fuels DO.
3. The proposed regulation was prepared using grossly flawed data.
4. This regulation will damage the economy of Pennsylvania by killing jobs, and by increasing the heating cost of many homeowners by over 400 percent.
5. The Commonwealth consists primarily of heavy-wooded rural areas. It makes no sense to burden the citizens of our entire populated areas that constitute a tiny portion of the Commonwealth. We believe that needed regulation should be left to local municipalities. Accordingly, we recommend the Board NOT adopt the proposed, or any regulations of OWBs. Such regulations can be easily managed by local municipalities of densely populated areas.

Also it financially ruins some homeowners that in this time of struggling economy trying to make ends meet, that the outdoor wood-fire boiler is the only way they can afford to heat their home. This is not the time for the Commonwealth to impose a burden on the homeowner.

Thank You

Brian Kriner

