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To Whom It MAY Concern,

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My husband and I oppose state regulation for outside furnaces.

1. We have no neighbors here and we depend on our woodstove for our heat in the winter. It would not be right to

- A. make laws that affect us compared to someone with close neighbors
- B. regulate the wood we burn.
- C. Change the regulations for existing boilers

We already live in a depressed area with no jobs and little money. If you change our regulations to match others that have more opportunities to jobs and higher incomes you would be causing a life threatening existance up here. People would have to come up with more money to stay warm in winter and where do you do that except to stop going to doctors, not buying badly needed medicine and not buying proper food or food at all.

I agree with clean air and I agree that regulations should be made to keep the smoke and chemicals away from other houses but I DO NOT AGREE with a state regulation. We moved from Chester County, PA to Potter COUNTY, PA and believe me the areas and populations are totally different. You could NOT make a regulation for one area and have it work in the other area correctly.

Outdoor furnaces are much safer than fireplaces in people's homes. We do not have the smoke in the house everytime you open it or add more wood to it. The furnace is so far from the house that there is not the danger of the house being burnt due to chimney fires, fireplace fires, or a spark landing on a carpet lighting the house on fire.

We earn so much less than in Chester County and other areas of PA. To get jobs often one of the adults must travel distances to get jobs, leaving spouses to handle the family and everything else. You have no idea what families go through in Potter County with no or few pensions and little income. Do NOT DESTROY the living conditions any more here by taking away our ability to heat our homes with a renewable resource that is cheaper for us than propane, gas or oil. You make new regulations and it will raise our costs and there will be many that can not afford to conform to a STATE WIDE Regulation. PLEASE Leave this with the local governments.

Thank you
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