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Dear Environmental Quality Board,

I have chosen to heat my home with an outdoor wood furnace for several reasons.

- #1 the cost of other fuels is so unstable and with the economy the way it is we need to save where ever we can
- #2 we own property with 70+ acres of woods and trees are constantly dieing and this is a great way to use the dead trees, and help keep our property a little cleaner
- #3 from what I understand wood results in no net increase in global warming gas emissions as the other major heating fuels do
- #4 my son has asthma and we can no longer use our fireplace or insert due to smoke in the house causes him to have major episodes.

We purchased ,installed and operated our wood heater prior to the drafting of these regulations. I am opposed to the excessive and retroactive requiremments of the proposed regulations. If passed as currently written, I believe my rights to properly operate my woodfurnace wood be adversely impacted.

I would support a state law requiring existing furnace owners to have to comply with proper fuel use requirements and for regulations regarding new installations to be reasonable.

Sincerely

Jim Swartley