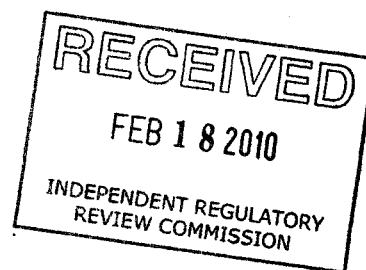




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February 11, 2010

Environmental Hearing Board  
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Dear Sir or Madam:

**RE: Proposed Revisions to 25 PA Code Chs. 121 and 123 as part of Pennsylvania State Implementation Plan Regarding Outdoor Wood-Fired Boilers**

United States Steel Corporation (U. S. Steel) appreciates the opportunity to submit comments on the notice for the proposed revisions to 25 PA Code Chapters 121 and 123 regarding Outdoor Wood-Fired Boilers (OWBs). U. S. Steel appreciates the work of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in addressing this issue.

U.S. Steel fully supports the DEP's efforts to regulate and control this significant and growing source of PM2.5 emissions as written in the proposed regulation changes.

There are 22 counties in 7 non-attainment areas for the 2006 PM2.5 24-hour standard. A study by the Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM) estimates that the emissions from OWBs could reach almost 900,000 tons per year of PM2.5 in 2010 nationwide. With the sale of OWBs concentrated (95%) in 19 states including Pennsylvania, the impact of OWBs to the air quality of the Commonwealth is great.

U. S. Steel appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments. Please contact me at 412-233-1015 should you have any questions, or if you require additional information regarding these comments. U. S. Steel would be pleased to discuss our position with the Department.

Sincerely,

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