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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY
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Dear Environmental Quality Board,

It has come to my attention that this board is making new regulations concerning new and existing outdoor wood furnaces.

I have an outdoor wood furnace to heat my home. The main reason is because the price of oil. I had to find another option to heat my home, either a wood stove or a outdoor wood furnace. I chose the outdoor wood furnace because,

1. It was much cleaner - The mess is outside.
2. Much safer - Eliminates the risk of fires and carbon monoxide poisoning. I'm sure my insurance company is glad that I chose the outdoor furnace.
3. Another reason, which I really didn't think about when I bought my furnace but has come to my attention is that it has no net increase in global warming gas emissions.

Heating with oil, natural gas, and coal is a significant source of global warming gas emissions.

The proposed regulation for outdoor wood-fired boilers is unreasonable and will impact my ability to continue utilizing my **existing** appliance. I am strongly opposed to:

- Excessive chimney height requirements for existing and new furnace installations for they are not based on science. These requirements are costly and impossible to comply with.
- Seasonal prohibition between May 1 and September 30. I personally do not run mine during the summer but those who want to should not have their rights taken away. It may be the only source they have for hot water.
- Opacity requirements for residential sized appliances because opacity is a subjective visual observation.

My Furnace was purchased, installed, and operated in good faith prior to the drafting of the regulation.

I am opposed to the excessive and retroactive requirements of the proposed regulation. If passed as currently written, I know that the regulation will adversely impact my **RIGHTS** and the **RIGHTS** of existing outdoor furnace owners that use these appliances in a reasonable manner.

I would like to know why, that every time we try to save money the government does their best to take it away from us?

I would also like to know why the government keeps insisting on taking away our rights?

It makes me wonder what kind of payoff is being paid to push this regulation through and by who, even though I can probably guess.

Sincerely,
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