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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY  
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Re: Proposed Rulemaking [25 PA. Code CHS. 121 and 123] Outdoor Wood-Fired Boilers

I have been using an outdoor wood-fired boiler for three years now. We use only wood that is being cut from property that needs cleared or wood that has fallen down - we do not randomly harvest wood. Our chimney stack is 12' above ground level and approximately 800' from the neighbors. No one has ever complained - on the contrary, they have expressed interest in eventually installing the same furnace. Much of the paper and cardboard products I previously would burn outdoors is now burned in the boiler also. Prior to installing the outdoor furnace we had an indoor woodburning stove that was very inefficient in comparison. It burned the same amount of wood but the heat was only concentrated in several rooms, making it necessary to also run a gas furnace at night to keep all rooms warm. I don't see where the outdoor woodburner could ever be considered less efficient.

I believe that municipalities should regulate the emissions of the wood burning stoves according to the general population and area, not the Board and would like to ask you not to adopt this regulation.

Thank you,  
Kathy Brown

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