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Environmental Quality Board PO Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

Re:

Proposed Rulemaking (25 PA. CODE CHS. 121 and 123)

Outdoor Wood-Fired Boilers

Dear Board Members,

The Guilford Township Board of Supervisors, located in Franklin County, population 14,100, is writing regarding your proposal to amend Chapters 121 and 123 addressing definitions and implementing provisions for the control of emissions of particulate matter from the operation of outdoor wood-fired boilers.

The Guilford Township Supervisors support this proposed rulemaking.

We have had several problems associated with the use of outdoor woodfired boilers and in each case it is that the smoke generated by the boiler stays near ground level, leaving the property where the smoke was generated, which could be affecting an adjoining neighbor's health and certainly their ability to enjoy the comfort of one's home and property.

The Department of Environmental Protection (Bureau of Air Quality) currently enforces air emissions and issues permits pertaining to same, so this proposed rulemaking governing the use of outdoor wood-fired boilers should be enforced by the Department of Environmental Protection.

Sincerely,

GUILFORD TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

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Chairman

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