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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY **REVIEW COMMISSION**

Environmental Quality Board Rachel Carson State Office Building P.O. Box 8477 Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477

RE:

25 PA. CODE CH. 95

Wastewater Treatment Requirements

[39 Pa.B. 6467]

Dear Members of the Board:

I am employed by the Pennsylvania coal economy. I am writing this letter to register my opposition to the aforementioned proposed rulemaking relating to wastewater treatment requirements.

The proposed standards are not based on sound science, are costly, burdensome, unworkable and therefore threaten the vitality of the coal mining industry. At a time of economic turmoil throughout Pennsylvania and the country, the coal mining industry provides for high-paying, relatively stable jobs and provides the most cost-effective source of electricity now available. Placing obstacles such as this proposed rulemaking in the path of an already highly-regulated industry does nothing to achieve one of Governor Rendell's top economic priorities of retaining the jobs we have.

For these reasons, I ask that the EQB reject the proposed rulemaking.

Sincerely,

Address //O PINE AVE