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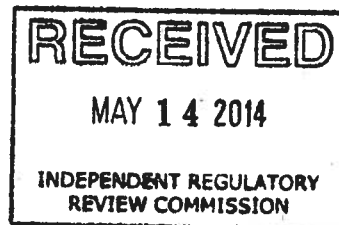


**Re: Proposed Rulemaking - Additional RACT Requirements for Major Sources of NOx and VOCs**

**The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) has received the following comments regarding the above-referenced proposed rulemaking.**

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Most power plants in Pennsylvania already have an effective, modern pollution-control technology known as selective catalytic reduction. However, under PA DEP's proposed rule, power plants will be allowed to use older, less efficient and less effective technologies to control their emissions. If Pennsylvania does not require the most effective technology to control NOx, the ozone problem will only get worse and public health will suffer. Please require operators of coal-fired boilers to use selective catalytic reduction to minimize NOx pollution, protect Pennsylvania's air quality, and minimize dangerous ozone days.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
Hayley Book

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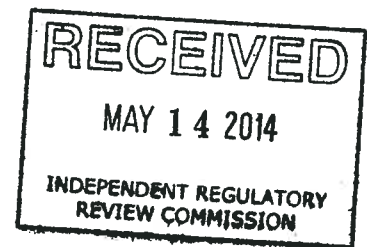


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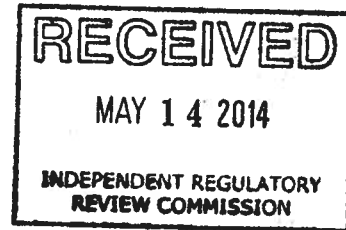


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My Husband suffers from asthma and will be affected by the decision you make on this plan! Please do not adopt the proposed plan for "Additional Reasonable Available Control Technology Requirements for Major Sources of NOx and VOCs." This rule will actually weaken life-saving emissions limits. Without the lax policy being proposed, PA already had 485 ozone days in the state in 2013. Pennsylvania cannot handle the increase of ground level ozone that will be created by increases in ozone precursors which will be the result of this rule.

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These links provide access to the attachments provided as part of this comment. You are advised to save the attachments to your local computer or a network share when prompted by your browser.

One-page Summary: [RACTComplaint7162526544836472420.pdf](#)

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