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**Re: eComment System**

**The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Radiological Health and Radon Certification Fees; Pennsylvania Radon Mitigation System Tag and Fee.**

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Dear Sirs,

I am protesting for any rate increases for Home Inspectors to perform Radon Testing. In fact I am formally requesting that the Commonwealth subsidize Radon Testing Firms. Please note that performing a Radon Test requires two trips for deployment and retrieval at a cost between \$.60 to \$1.00 per mile plus time travel time, turnpike fees, parking fees, etc. Typically the fee for a Radon Test in the greater Pittsburgh area ranges from \$75.00 to \$125.00 for people who can afford it and more importantly for those who are aware of the health concerns with elevated Radon. On average I perform a Radon Test at three out of ten homes that I am hired to inspect. Most people think that Radon is complete and total nonsense. Of course I disagree. From a business stand point by providing Radon Testing, it is a loser. Big time. The primary reason why Home Inspectors perform this service is clearly beyond a reasonable doubt a Public Service. The vast majority of the Public will not or cannot afford \$300.00 for a Radon Test and even at that price is still a bargain when considering the costs associated of being in business.

Since elevated Radon is a serious health concern it only makes sense to have each and every home tested. Reducing Radon levels will in fact save lives and significantly lower health care costs for both the consumer and the taxpayers who fund the social programs financed by both the state and federal governments.

To manage any type of government budget based off of the protocol of a robust Middle Class is nonsensical since it no loner exists and is getting worse everyday.

In closing reviewing these costs should not just be for administrating the program, but rather to locate homes with elevated Radon and solving the problem. It should pay for itself with lower health care costs for everyone concerned. Treating Cancer is a very profitable business and preventing the cause is significantly cheaper.

Thank you for letting me share some common sense.

Sincerely,

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No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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