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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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Hello,		0

I received your letter dated July 14, 2016 re; your proposal to increase fees by 50% to licensed radon testers.

Your proposal is outrageous & punitive and doesn't take into account the financial realities that we face as radon professionals in PA.

Example:

I have been licensed as a radon tester since Fall of 2004... 12 years... in Erie, PA.

I have always had 8 - 10 competitors in my market.

I have been unable to raise my fees more than \$20 in 12 years without losing a substantial portion of my business!

My competitors are also in the same boat.

It is a depressed economy here with a stagnant housing market.

The only radon tests done are for real estate transactions.

The point is – we cannot simply raise our rates to offset your proposed fee increase. And after doubling the Certification Renewal fee a few years ago you now want to increase it again???

Here is an idea for you – why don't you try giving us radon professionals some good news?

Why don't you try to help us do our jobs?

Since the new staff in Harrisburg was ushered in several years ago your dept has done nothing but antagonize & threaten us. When I reported on a new company in my market doing invalid radon tests, I GOT AUDITED! NOT THEM.

Because of the PERVASIVE negative attitude of the Dept of Radon, I, and many others, feel no goodwill toward the Dept of Radon.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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