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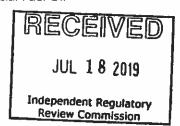
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Comment received - Proposed Rulemaking: Revision of the Maximum Allowable Sulfur

Content Limit for No. 2 and Lighter Commercial Fuel Oil



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The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Revision of the Maximum Allowable Sulfur Content Limit for No. 2 and Lighter Commercial Fuel Oil.

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Comments entered:

I write on behalf of the Better Home Heat Council of the Lehigh Valley, which exists to promote and educate current and prospective heating oil customers as to the benefits of oil heat and to support local oil companies, providing a wide range of products and services to enhance their customers' satisfaction.

- The transition from 500 parts per million sulfur to 15 parts per million ultra-low sulfur heating oil (ULSHO) will reduce soot accumulation which will ultimately keep heating systems cleaner. Cleaner systems result in higher energy efficiency along with reduced service calls. This will help the ultimate consumer save on heating costs.
- Using ULSHO containing less than 15 ppm lowers sulfur oxide emissions in the flue gas by more than 97% compared to heating oil with 500 ppm sulfur, and produces sulfur oxide emissions that are comparable to natural gas heating equipment.
- ULSHO is compatible with existing oil heat equipment. Customers won't need to install a new system to use USLHO.
- Pennsylvania is the only state in the Mid Atlantic and New England region who has not yet adopted a ULSHO standard. As a petroleum marketer I fully support aligning our state with the rest of the region to achieve improved air quality and cleaner fuel.

Thank You,

Quincy Longacre

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No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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