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Subject: Comment received - Proposed Rulemaking: Control of VOC Emissions from Oil and

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The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Control of VOC Emissions from Oil and Natural Gas Sources (#7-544).

### Commenter Information:

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#### Comments entered:

The Natural Gas Industry is highly regulated and the industry takes seriously its obligation to protect air quality and the communities in which it operates. As a former DEP regulatory manager in the Oil & Gas program, I'm very aware of regulatory needs, and what they are intended to mitigate. However, since 1990 natural gas production has increased by 50% yet total methane emissions have decreased by over 40%. Since 2005, volatile organic compounds from electric generation have decreased by 33%. Sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxide emissions have decreased by 93% and 80%, respectively, since 2005. When new regulations are proposed, they should specifically target problems that need addressed. We are seeing vast improvements in Air Quality that have provided billions of dollars in public health benefits to our citizens of Pennsylvania. I strongly encourage the EQB to base its decisions on FACTS. Any final rules should be cost-effective, and provide measurable results for that cost.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

## Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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