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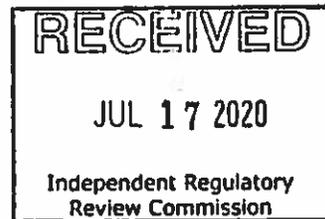


**Re: eComment System**

**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).**

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**Comments entered:**

I fully support the detailed technical comments submitted by the Marcellus Shale Coalition. Every aspect of this industry is STRICTLY regulated by the State. There have been many benefits to the state from the development of natural gas from shale resources. Among these benefits is the INCREDIBLE improvement in air quality. Criteria pollutants such as NOx, SOx, and VOCs have all decreased significantly. Also, methane emissions from the industry have DECREASED by 50% since 1990, despite an increase of production by more than 50%. The increased use of natural gas has also made a major difference in power generation emissions. Criteria pollutant emissions have also dropped dramatically since 2005. Nox and Sox emissions have dropped by 80% and 93% and VOC emissions have decreased by 33%. These reductions are resulting in improved health outcomes.

I respectfully urge you to base your decisions on the facts while recognizing and continuing to encourage the advancement of the industry. Any final rule on this matter should be cost-effective and provide a reasonable compliance schedule for affected facilities.

Thank you

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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