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RGGI public testimony hearing  
Good morning, my name is Lanita Desure.  
I am a lifelong resident of Alliquippa in  
Beaver County. Thank you for allowing my  
testimony in support of the proposed rule in  
regards to Pennsylvania joining the other  
states in regards to the Regional Greenhouse  
Gas Initiative.

Pennsylvania stands out among neighboring  
states as an energy powerhouse that has  
made smart use of its major supplies of  
natural resources. As a People's Gas C.A.P.  
program participant, the C.A.P. program has  
been a life saver for me and my family. I  
hope to keep my utility allowances.

RGGI will set a strict limit on carbon  
emissions in Pennsylvania. As an asthma  
sufferer, I along with countless others  
would welcome the cleaner air.

I want to be reassured of the importance of  
keeping power plants regulated and my asthma  
controlled. Pennsylvania is the nations second  
largest producer of natural gas, the third  
largest of coal, 16th largest producer of crude

oil and third largest producer of electricity according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

One of the most effective ways to ensure emissions do not increase is by capping the amount of emissions a particular source or sector can emit. This is done in other ways in other states and countries.

Even though Pennsylvania's reductions are encouraging, the DEP projects emissions to increase in five years, and, even more if additional policies are not implemented. The increases are primarily in the electricity sector which has some of the greatest potential to reduce emissions in the near future.

REGI is a successful example of a regional cap utilized in the northeast and mid-Atlantic. Climate change is happening all around and the DEP has a duty and responsibility to the citizens of the United States and I urge the state of Pennsylvania to introduce REGI to all of us concerned citizens of Pennsylvania.

Clean energy and cleaner air are essential for the citizens of Pennsylvania.

I have a 5 year old who was born outside. He loves the outdoors and I want him to continue loving the outdoors, but not at the risk of his health.

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